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GAMES 13-15 // AT OLD DOMINION

March 10-11, 2017 | Bud Metheny Baseball Complex (2,500) | Norfolk, Virginia



GAME INFORMATION

Friday, March 10 - Game 1 2 p.m. ET
Friday, March 10 - Game 2 Follows Game 1
Saturday, March 11 3 p.m. ET

LIVE COVERAGE

Live Stats ODUsports.com
Live Video (\$) ConferenceUSA.com/Watch
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WEST VIRGINIA MOUNTAINEERS

7-5 (0-0 Big 12)

NR / 60

Randy Mazey (5th)

131-106 (318-266-2, 11th)

Kyle Davis (19)

Brandon White (.400)

Alek Manoah (2.25)

Conner Dotson (3)

Record

NCBWA / RPI

Head Coach (Season)

Record at School (Overall, Season)

Hits Leader

Avg. Leader (min. 25 AB)

ERA Leader (min. 10.0 IP or 4 app.)

Wins Leader

OLD DOMINION MONARCHS

9-3 (0-0 C-USA)

NR / 76

Chris Finwood (6th)

153-140 (395-391, 15th)

Zach Rutherford (18)

Turner Bishop (.448)

Corey Klak, Culver Lamb (0.00)

Adam Bainbridge (3-0)

MOUNTAINEER TO WATCH

Marques Inman • Sophomore • Designated Hitter • Elyria, Ohio

Sophomore Marques Inman hit his second home run of the season in Wednesday's game at Southeastern Louisiana. He drove in one of WVU's two runs with his third career home run.

In nine games this year, Inman leads the team with a .688 slugging percentage and is second on the team with a .375 batting average and two home runs. He is tied for second with five extra-base hits and is the only Mountaineer with at least two home runs, two doubles and a triple.



PROBABLE PITCHERS

Friday (Game 1 - 3 p.m. ET)

WVU: BJ Myers • RHP • Jr.
1-1, 4.91 ERA, 15 K, 3 BB, 18.1 IP
ODU: Sam Sinnen • RHP • Sr.
0-0, 4.91 ERA, 8 K, 8 BB, 11.0 IP

Friday (Game 2)

WVU: Michael Grove • RHP • So.
0-1, 10.29 ERA, 7 K, 5 BB, 7.0 IP
ODU: Adam Bainbridge • LHP • Sr.
3-0, 1.59 ERA, 12 K, 6 BB, 17.0 IP

Saturday (3 p.m. ET)

WVU: Conner Dotson • RHP • Jr.
3-0, 3.18 ERA, 17 K, 10 BB, 17.0 IP
ODU: John Wilson • LHP • Fr.
2-0, 4.30 ERA, 10 K, 3 BB, 14.2 IP

BY THE NUMBERS

5 In their three-game series against Old Dominion last year in Morgantown, the Mountaineers had five comebacks. WVU came back in the eighth inning in game one, in the ninth in game two and in the ninth and 12th innings in game three.

Kyle Davis led the Mountaineers with a .444 batting average last year against Old Dominion, with four hits, four walks and an RBI. He added a team-best .571 on-base percentage as WVU went 2-1 against ODU.

0.00 In 3.0 innings against Old Dominion in 2016, Conner Dotson allowed no runs on one hit with a pair of strikeouts. Dotson went 1-0 in two appearances, and is expected to start Sunday's contest in Norfolk.

2017 SCHEDULE

Overall Record: 7-5

Big 12: 0-0 Non-Conference: 7-5
Home: 0-0 Away: 5-5 Neutral: 2-0

Fri., Feb. 17	at Charlotte	L, 6-3
Sat., Feb. 18	at Charlotte	L, 13-2
Sun., Feb. 19	at Charlotte	W, 6-3
Fri., Feb. 24	vs. George Mason # ^	W, 5-3
Sat., Feb. 25	at No. 18 Coastal Carolina #	W, 22-9
Sun., Feb. 26	vs. Ball State # ^	W, 4-1
Mon., Feb. 27	at No. 18 Coastal Carolina #	W, 4-1
Thu., Mar. 02	at Nicholls	W, 8-1
Fri., Mar. 03	at Tulane	L, 9-8
Sat., Mar. 04	at Tulane	L, 6-0
Sun., Mar. 05	at Tulane	W, 18-5
Tue., Mar. 07	at Southeastern Louisiana	Rained Out
Wed., Mar. 08	at Southeastern Louisiana	L, 4-2 (12)
Fri., Mar. 10	at Old Dominion	2 p.m.
Fri., Mar. 10	at Old Dominion	Following Game 1
Sat., Mar. 11	at Old Dominion	3 p.m.
Tue., Mar. 14	Morehead State	3 p.m.
Fri., Mar. 17	at Baylor *	9 p.m.
Sat., Mar. 18	at Baylor *	4 p.m.
Sun., Mar. 19	at Baylor *	12 p.m.
Wed., Mar. 22	at Penn State	6:30 p.m.
Fri., Mar. 24	Jacksonville	6:30 p.m.
Sat., Mar. 25	Jacksonville	3 p.m.
Sun., Mar. 26	Jacksonville	1 p.m.
Tue., Mar. 28	at Pitt	6 p.m.
Fri., Mar. 31	at Oklahoma State *	7:30 p.m.
Sat., Apr. 01	at Oklahoma State *	4 p.m.
Sun., Apr. 02	at Oklahoma State *	1 p.m.
Tue., Apr. 04	Marshall	6:30 p.m.
Fri., Apr. 07	Kansas *	6:30 p.m.
Sat., Apr. 08	Kansas *	4 p.m.
Sun., Apr. 09	Kansas *	1 p.m.
Tue., Apr. 11	at Maryland	4 p.m.
Fri., Apr. 14	TCU *	6:30 p.m.
Sat., Apr. 15	TCU *	4 p.m.
Sun., Apr. 16	TCU *	12 p.m.
Tue., Apr. 18	at Marshall &	6 p.m.
Fri., Apr. 21	at Kansas State *	7:30 p.m.
Sat., Apr. 22	at Kansas State *	5 p.m.
Sun., Apr. 23	at Kansas State *	1 p.m.
Tue., Apr. 25	at Virginia Tech	5:30 p.m.
Fri., Apr. 28	Oklahoma *	6:30 p.m.
Sat., Apr. 29	Oklahoma *	4 p.m.
Sun., Apr. 30	Oklahoma *	1 p.m.
Tue., May 02	Eastern Michigan	6:30 p.m.
Fri., May 05	Texas Tech *	6:30 p.m.
Sat., May 06	Texas Tech *	4 p.m.
Sun., May 07	Texas Tech *	1 p.m.
Tue., May 09	Penn State	6:30 p.m.
Fri., May 12	Gardner-Webb	6:30 p.m.
Sat., May 13	Gardner-Webb	4 p.m.
Sun., May 14	Gardner-Webb	1 p.m.
Tue., May 16	Pitt	6:30 p.m.
Fri., May 19	at Texas *	7:30 p.m.
Sat., May 20	at Texas *	5 p.m.
Sun., May 21	at Texas *	2 p.m.
May 24-28	Big 12 Championship %	TBD

* Big 12 Conference Game | & Charleston, W.Va.
Caravelle Resort Tournament | ^ Myrtle Beach, S.C.
% Phillips 66 Big 12 Championship, Oklahoma City
All times Eastern and subject to change
Home games, in bold, played at Monongalia County Ballpark



QUICK FACTS

General Information

Location Morgantown, W.Va.
 Founded 1867
 Nickname Mountaineers
 Conference Big 12
 Enrollment 31,514
 Colors Old Gold (PMS 124 C) and Blue (295 C)
 President Dr. E. Gordon Gee (Utah, '68)
 Director of Athletics Shane Lyons (WVU, '87)
 Athletic Department Phone 304-293-5621
 Ticket Office Phone 1-800-WVU GAME

Coaches and Staff

Head Coach Randy Mazey (5th Season)
 Alma Mater Clemson ('88)
 WVU Record 131-106 (4 Seasons)
 Career Record 318-266-2 (10 Seasons)
 Assistant Coach Derek Matlock (5th Season)
 Alma Mater UT Arlington ('90)
 Assistant Coach Steve Sabins (2nd Season)
 Alma Mater Embry-Riddle ('11)
 Volunteer Assistant Cody Atkinson
 Strength Coach Chris Dunaway
 Director of Baseball Operations Ryan Tuntland

Baseball History

First Season 1892
 Seasons 122nd Season (125 Years)
 All-Time Record 2102-1507-19 (.579)
 All-Time Big 12 Record (Since 2013) 43-49
 NCAA Tournaments (Record) 11 (8-22)
 Years: 1955, 61, 62, 63, 64, 67, 82, 85, 87, 94, 96
 Conference Championships: 19 (14 Reg, 5 Tourney)
 Regular Season: 1955, 61, 62, 63, 64, 67 (SoCon);
 1981, 82 (Eastern 8); 1984, 85, 86, 87, 88 (A-10);
 1996 (Big East)
 Tournament: 1982 (Eastern 8); 1985, 87, 94 (A-10);
 1996 (Big East)

Monongalia County Ballpark

Capacity 3,500
 First Season 2015
 All-Time Record 28-20
 Playing Surface AstroTurf, Clay Mound
 Dimensions RF/LF - 325, RC/LC - 375, CF - 400

Team Information

Lettermen Returning/Lost 18/14
 Starters Returning/Lost 7/2
 Position Players Returning/Lost 11/6
 Pitchers Returning/Lost 10/7
 Newcomers 15
 2016 Record (Big 12) 36-22 (12-11, 4th)

FOLLOWING THE MOUNTAINEERS

Website WVUsports.com
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Coach Mazey @CoachMazey

WVUsports.com

For official news, notes and more on the WVU baseball team, visit WVUsports.com, the official website of the West Virginia University Mountaineers

Radio

The Mountaineers can be heard on the radio throughout the state on the Mountaineer Sports Network from IMG. Dan Zangrilli will have the play-by-play call, and Ernie Galusky will provide color commentary for all home games and select road contests. A complete list of games and stations broadcasting the Mountaineers can be found below.

MOUNTAINEERS ON THE RADIO

Market	Station	Frequency
Beckley	WBKW-AM	1070
Charleston	WJYP-AM	1300
Charleston	WMON-AM	1340
Charleston	WSCW-AM	1410
Clarksburg	WPDX-AM	750
Clarksburg	WPDX-FM	104.9
Hinton	WMTD-FM	102.3
Morgantown	WRLF-FM	94.3

MEDIA INFORMATION

The West Virginia University Athletic Communications Office will be available throughout the 2017 season to accommodate any media requests.

Interviews During the Week

Any member of the media wishing to interview a member of the coaching staff during the week should contact WVU baseball SID Charlie Healy (Charles.Healy@mail.wvu.edu or 304-293-2821) at least 24 hours in advance.

Postgame Interviews

Postgame interviews for all home games with coach Randy Mazey will take place on the field 10 minutes following the conclusion of the game.

Social Media: @WVUBaseball

Don't miss a pitch this season by following and connecting with the Mountaineers on social media. By following @WVUBaseball on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram, fans will get official news and notes, behind-the-scenes updates and an exclusive look at the team both on and off the field.

Live Video

Fans can watch a live stream of every home game on WVUsports.com. Links to each broadcast, along with road games being live streamed by the home team, can be found on the baseball schedule page on WVUsports.com. Additionally, select practices, interviews and more will be broadcast live on Facebook or Periscope and can be accessed by following the team at @WVUBaseball.

Radio Schedule

Forty regular-season games will air on the Mountaineer Sports Network from IMG. The schedule begins with the March 14 contest vs. Morehead State and continues with every game through the end of the season.

Online and on Mobile

Fans can also listen to every radio broadcast online at WVUsports.com, and on the TuneIn Radio App and the Mountaineer Gameday App.

Receiving Information

Media members may receive press releases, notes and more via e-mail. To be added to the e-mail list, please e-mail Charles.Healy@mail.wvu.edu.

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WVU's Record When...

	Overall	Big 12
Home	0-0	0-0
Road	5-5	0-0
Neutral	2-0	0-0
Day Games	6-3	0-0
Night Games	1-2	0-0
WVU Scores First	5-1	0-0
Opponent Scores First	2-4	0-0
WVU Scores in the 1st	4-0	0-0
Opp. Scores in the 1st	3-2	0-0
vs. Top 25	2-0	0-0
Following Loss	2-2	0-0
TV Game	0-0	0-0
vs. RHP (starter)	6-4	0-0
vs. LHP (starter)	1-1	0-0
Hitting a Home Run	5-2	0-0
Not Hitting a Home Run	2-3	0-0
Out Hit Opponent	6-1	0-0
Equal Number of Hits	1-1	0-0
Get Out Hit by Opponent	0-3	0-0
One-Run Games	0-1	0-0
Two-Run Games	1-1	0-0
Five+ Run Games	3-2	0-0
Leading After 6	5-0	0-0
Trailing After 6	2-3	0-0
Tied After 6	0-2	0-0
Leading After 7	6-0	0-0
Trailing After 7	1-4	0-0
Tied After 7	0-1	0-0
Leading After 8	7-0	0-0
Trailing After 8	0-4	0-0
Tied After 8	0-1	0-0
Shutouts	0-1	0-0
Extra Innings	0-1	0-0
Score Five or Less Runs	3-4	0-0
Score Six or More Runs	4-1	0-0
Allow Five or Fewer Runs	5-1	0-0
Allow Six or More Runs	1-4	0-0
Commit 0 Errors	3-0	0-0
Commit 1 Error	3-3	0-0
Commit 2+ Errors	1-2	0-0
February	5-2	0-0
March	2-3	0-0
April	0-0	0-0
May	0-0	0-0
Monday	1-0	0-0
Tuesday	0-0	0-0
Wednesday	0-1	0-0
Thursday	1-0	0-0
Friday	1-2	0-0
Saturday	1-2	0-0
Sunday	3-0	0-0
White Jerseys	1-0	0-0
Gold Jerseys	1-1	0-0
Blue Jerseys	2-2	0-0
Gold/Blue Camo Jerseys	2-0	0-0
Gray Jersey	1-1	0-0
Blue Pants	0-0	0-0

Schedule Adjusted as WVU Travels to Old Dominion

The West Virginia University baseball team concludes its season-opening roadtrip with a weekend series at Old Dominion in Norfolk, Virginia, from March 10-11, and the schedule has been adjusted with colder weather expected on Sunday.

The series will now open with a doubleheader on Friday, March 10, beginning at 2 p.m. ET. The series concludes with a single game on Saturday at 3 p.m., at the Bud Metheny Baseball Complex. No game will be played on Sunday.

The series at Old Dominion marks the end of a 12-day, eight game roadtrip for the Mountaineers (7-5), which began with five games in Louisiana from March 2-8. The three games are also WVU's last before its home opener, after playing the first 15 games away from Morgantown.

The Mountaineers went 2-3 in Louisiana and are coming off a 4-2 12-inning loss at Southeastern Louisiana on Wednesday night. West Virginia opened the weekend with an 8-1 victory at Nicholls on Thursday, March 2 and followed it up with a series at Tulane. WVU began the Tulane series with a 9-8 loss, followed by a 6-0 defeat on Saturday, before an 18-5 win in Sunday's finale.

The Monarchs (9-3) have won three of their last four after a mid-week series split against James Madison. Before the two-game split with JMU, Old Dominion took two out of three against Rutgers. All but one of ODU's games has been at home.

A trio of right-handers will start for the Mountaineers this weekend. Junior BJ Myers (1-1) will get the ball in the opener against ODU senior right-hander Sam Sinnen (0-0). In the second game, sophomore Michael Grove (0-1) will face senior left-hander Adam Bainbridge (3-0). Saturday's finale will feature junior Conner Dotson (3-0) against freshman lefty John Wilson (2-0).

Following Along

Old Dominion will have a live stream (subscription required) and live stats for all three games this weekend. Those links can be found on the baseball schedule page at WVUsports.com. Additional behind-the-scenes updates, news and notes from Norfolk, Virginia, can be found on social media by following and connecting with the team at @WVUBaseball on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

Quick Hits: Key Team Notes

- West Virginia is celebrating its 125th year of baseball. Founded in 1892, WVU owns an all-time record of 2,102-1,507-19.
- Darius Hill had a career-best and team-leading 13-game hitting streak, which ended on March 8 at Southeastern Louisiana. He had at least one hit in each of WVU's first 11 games, with four multi-hit games and four multi-RBI contests. Hill is tied for second on the team with 17 hits and third with 11 RBIs.
- WVU's 6-2 start to the year followed a 5-1 start in 2016, the first time since 2006-07 the Mountaineers have started back-to-back seasons with at least five wins in their first seven games. Just like a six-game winning streak in 2017, WVU's start to 2016 included a five-game winning streak.
- West Virginia went 2-0 against No. 18 Coastal Carolina on Feb. 25 and 27, its first games against a ranked foe in 2017 and its first-ever games against a defending national champion.
- In West Virginia 22-9 win at No. 18 Coastal Carolina on Feb. 25, WVU's 22 runs were the most since it scored 23 against Duquesne in 2010. WVU's 29 hits was three shy of the school record of 32, set in 2009, and the Mountaineers' six home runs was one shy of the school record of seven, set in 1997. WVU's 56 at-bats is a new school record. Jackson Cramer had a career-best five hits, four extra-base hits and three doubles, all one shy of tying the school record, and he added a career-high six RBIs.
- Every starter in the lineup has had at least one hit twice in WVU's first seven games, while every starter has recorded an RBI once.
- Coach Randy Mazey is 131-106 at West Virginia and became the fifth coach in team history to eclipse the 100-win mark and the second to accomplish the feat in his first four seasons.
- West Virginia was voted to finish fifth in the 2017 Big 12 Conference baseball preseason coaches' poll, WVU's highest preseason ranking since joining the conference in 2013.
- WVU won 36 games in 2016, the most wins in a single season in coach Randy Mazey's four years and the most since 2009 (37).
- WVU went 3-1 at the 2016 Big 12 Championship and advanced to its first Big 12 Championship game and first conference title game since 1996.
- Darius Hill and Ivan Gonzalez were named to Freshman All-America teams after leading WVU in several offensive categories as freshmen in 2016
- WVU has had 14 draft selection in coach Randy Mazey's four seasons, the most draft picks in a four-year stretch in team history.
- Attendance has increased in each of WVU's first four seasons in the Big 12, highlighted by a program-record total of 40,390 fans in 2016, for an average of 1,346 fans per game. WVU averaged a record 1,507 n the inaugural season at Monongalia County Ballpark in 2015.



Statistical Comparison

(NCAA/Conference Rankings in parentheses)



7-5 (0-0)	Record (Conf.)	9-3 (0-0)
2-0	vs. Top-25	0-0
.583 (105/7)	Win-Loss Pct.	.750 (30/2)

HITTING STATISTICS

.310 (38/4)	Batting Average	.295 (75/5)
138 (33/3)	Hits	120 (81/7)
82 (69/7)	Runs	94 (41/4)
6.8 (70/7)	Runs Per Game	7.8 (36/4)
24 (70/5)	Doubles	28 (33/4)
4 (54/4)	Triples	5 (30/1)
13 (30/4)	Home Runs	6 (155/10)
.395(53/5)	On Base Pct.	.402 (42/5)
.470 (38/4)	Slugging Pct.	.432 (163/6)
57 (74/7)	Walks	64 (39/3)
10 (150/7)	Stolen Bases	13 (90/3)
10-15	SB-Attempts	13-16
5 (131/6)	Sacrifice Bunts	5 (131/9)
4 (119/7)	Sacrifice Flies	12 (2/1)
8 (209/7)	Hit by Pitch	17 (37/6)

PITCHING STATISTICS

4.63 (143/7)	ERA	5.45 (191/10)
1.91 (148/8)	K-to-BB Ratio	1.52 (208/9)
9.2 (60/4)	K per 9 Inn.	6.8 (238/10)
4.79 (199/9)	BB per 9 Inn.	4.46 (176/8)
7.91 (60/5)	Hits per 9 Inn.	9.50 (166/9)
1.41 (111/7)	WHIP	1.55 (171/8)
.237	Opponent BA	.278
0	Shutouts	1

FIELDING STATISTICS

.971 (106/5)	Fielding Pct.	.979 (44/2)
7 (179/6)	Double Plays	8 (136/8)
0	Triple Plays	0

NATIONAL RANKINGS

NR	NCBWA	RV
NR	USA Today Coaches	NR
NR	Baseball America	NR
NR	Collegiate Baseball	NR
NR	D1 Baseball	NR
NR	Perfect Game	NR
60	RPI	76

Series History vs. the Monarchs

All-Time	WVU Leads, 6-2
Last Meeting	2016, 2-1
In Morgantown	2-1
In Norfolk, Va.	0-0
Neutral Site	4-1
Under Coach Mazey (Since 2013)	2-1

Date	Site	Result
5/28/1982	Columbia, S.C.	W, 7-6
2/21/1997	Wilmington, N.C.	L, 12-6
2/23/2001	Wilmington, N.C.	W, 7-5
2/23/2002	Charleston, S.C.	W, 7-1
2/20/2004	Charleston, S.C.	W, 7-4
3/11/2016	Morgantown	W, 4-3
3/12/2016	Morgantown	L, 5-4 (10)
3/13/2016	Morgantown	W, 6-5 (12)

West Virginia is 6-2 all-time against Old Dominion, including a series win in 2016 in Morgantown. The Mountaineers are 2-1 at home, 4-1 at a neutral site and have never faced the Monarchs in Norfolk.

Last year, West Virginia won its home-opening series vs. Old Dominion, 2-1. WVU came back five times in the series, and at least once in each game.

- WVU's 4-3 series-opening win came thanks to catcher Ray Guerrini's two-run squeeze bunt in the eighth inning. The Mountaineers trailed 2-0 early, but with the help of five errors in the final three innings, came back to beat ODU with three unearned runs. West Virginia tied the score at 2-2 in the sixth inning before Guerrini's winner. Righty Conner Dotson earned the win with 1.2 scoreless innings in relief, allowing just two hits.
- In Saturday's first game, WVU came back again, trailing 4-1 before scoring three runs in the bottom of the ninth to tie the game. Old Dominion then answered with the winning run in the 10th inning.
- Just 30 minutes later though, WVU bounced back with a 6-5, 12-inning win. Shortstop Jimmy Galusky's two-RBI, game-winning single in the 12th was the second time the Mountaineers came back in the game, after they scored one in the ninth to send the contest into extra innings. ODU held a 4-3 lead in the ninth inning before designated hitter Kyle Davis drove in Galusky, the game-tying run, in the ninth. Galusky's game-winner in the bottom of the 12th inning came after ODU took a 5-4 lead in the top of the inning.

Prior to last year, WVU and Old Dominion had met five previous times, all at a neutral site in either North Carolina or South Carolina. The series began in 1982 with a 7-6 win and was followed by a 12-6 loss in 1997. WVU won the next three, 7-5 in 2001, 7-1 in 2002 and 7-4 in 2004, before the series resumed last year.

Scouting Old Dominion

Old Dominion is 9-3 on the season, with all but one game coming at home. ODU has won three of its last four.

- The Monarchs are coming off a mid-week split against James Madison, with a 9-8 win on Tuesday and a 4-3 loss on Wednesday, which snapped ODU's three-game winning streak. Last weekend, Old Dominion won its series against Rutgers, with 6-2 and 15-4 victories after dropping the opener, 8-5.
- Zach Rutherford leads the team with 18 hits and posts a .346 batting average. Turner Bishop's .448 average is a team-high, and he has 13 hits. Nick Walker has added 16 hits and a team-best 12 RBIs.
- Adam Bainbridge leads the pitching staff with a 3-0 record in three starts and 12 strikeouts, while he has a 1.59 ERA in 17.0 innings pitched. Three pitchers have not allowed an earned run, though they have not pitched more than 6.2 innings.
- The Monarchs are coached by Chris Finwood, in his sixth season at ODU and in his 15th year as a head coach. Finwood owns a 153-140 record at Old Dominion after leading the squad to an NCAA Tournament appearance in 2014.

On Deck: Home Opener vs. Morehead State

The Mountaineers come home for the first time this season, hosting Morehead State on Tuesday, March 14, at 3 p.m. ET, at Monongalia County Ballpark. The home opener is the first of three dollar days this season, where tickets and select concession items will be \$1. Tickets are on sale now, at 1-800-WVU GAME, WVUGAME.com or at the Mountaineer Ticket Office in the WVU Coliseum.

Last Time Out: Going Extras in Louisiana

West Virginia concluded a five-game roadtrip in Louisiana with a 4-2 loss in 12 innings at Southeastern Louisiana on Wednesday night.

Playing their first extra-inning game of the season, the Mountaineers held the Lions scoreless for eight consecutive innings before a two-run home run by Taylor Schwaner in the bottom of the 12th inning won it. WVU was held to two runs on seven hits by nine Southeastern pitchers.

The game featured 28 strikeouts, 13 by WVU pitchers and 15 by SLU.

With the help of several solid defensive plays, freshman right-handed starter Isaiah Kearns, senior reliever Jackson Sigman and sophomore reliever Braden Zarbnisky held SLU to two runs on six hits in 11 innings. The trio combined to walk five and strike out 12. Zarbnisky recorded a career-best and game-high six strikeouts.

Sophomore designated hitter Marques Inman hit his second home run of the season in the second inning to give the Mountaineers an early 1-0 lead. After SLU took a 2-1 lead in the third, sophomore catcher Ivan Gonzalez drove in WVU's second run of the day in the fifth.

Sweeping Myrtle Beach and the Defending Champs

West Virginia went 4-0 in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, at the Caravelle Resort Tournament from Feb. 24-27. The weekend was highlighted by a pair of wins at No. 18 Coastal Carolina, the defending national champions. Darius Hill led WVU with six hits, six RBIs, six runs scored and two home runs. He hit .429 with a .857 slugging percentage.

- Seven innings from BJ Myers and a five-run seventh propelled WVU to a 5-3 victory over George Mason on Feb. 24. In 7.0 innings, Myers allowed one run on four hits, just two for extra-bases, and struck out seven. After allowing a home run in the first, Myers retired 10 in a row. The bats broke through in the seventh, as a bases-loaded walk tied the game at 1-1. Cole Austin followed with a bases-clearing triple to the wall in right field to score three and give WVU a 4-1 lead.
- Playing a defending national champion for the first time in program history, West Virginia's bats broke out for 22 runs on 29 hits in a 22-9 victory at No. 18 Coastal Carolina the following day. WVU scored at least one run in all but two innings and batted around twice. The 22 runs are WVU's most since it scored 23 vs. Duquesne in 2010. The 29 hits is three shy of tying the school record of 32, set in 2009, and West Virginia's six home runs is one shy of the program record, set in 1997. Jackson Cramer led the offensive charge with a career-best five hits, four extra-base hits and three doubles, all one shy of tying the school record. He added a career-high six RBIs and hit one home run. Every WVU starter had at least two hits, while seven had at least three. All but one starter drove in at least one run and four had multiple RBIs.
- After getting no-hit for six innings, West Virginia rallied with two runs in the eighth and ninth to beat Ball State, 4-1, on Feb. 26. WVU and BSU were locked in a pitcher's duel, with just three total hits through seven innings, before Darius Hill homered with two outs in the eighth to give WVU a 2-1 lead. A pair of wild pitches in the ninth scored two insurance runs. WVU had four hits and gave up just two, both season-lows. Making his first career start, Carter Camp pitched 5.0 innings and allowed one first-inning run on two hits with seven strikeouts and no walks. Marques Inman broke up the no-hitter in the seventh inning.
- West Virginia closed the week with a 4-1 win at Coastal on Feb. 27. WVU took an early 2-0 lead in the first inning, and Cole Austin followed with a towering home run in the third and an RBI single scored the final run in the sixth. Conner Dotson earned the win with 6.0 strong innings with a career-best 10 strikeouts. The bullpen followed with three shutout innings, holding CCU to one hit.

Celebrating 125 Years

- West Virginia begins its 125th year of baseball in 2017. Founded in 1892, WVU owns an all-time program record of 2,100-1,504-19.
- WVU has had 19 coaches. Dale Ramsburg (1968-94) owns the record for most wins, with 534. A.R. Stahlings was the program's first coach, from 1894-96. Current coach Randy Mazey is fifth all-time in wins (131).
- A total of 14 Mountaineers have earned All-America honors. Ivan Gonzalez and Darius Hill are the most recent honorees, having both earned Freshman All-America accolades in 2016. Two more All-Americans are on the 2017 roster, in juniors Kyle Davis and BJ Myers, who were recognized on Freshman All-America teams in 2015.
- West Virginia has made 11 NCAA Tournaments, most recently in 1996.
- WVU been a member of six conferences and own a total of 19 conference championships. WVU was an independent from the program's founding in 1892 until 1950, when it joined the Southern Conference from 1951-1968. West Virginia was an independent again from 1969-1980. The Mountaineers were in the Eastern 8 from 1981-82 before becoming the Atlantic 10 in 1983. From 1996-2012 West Virginia was in the Big East. WVU joined the Big 12 in 2013.
- Twenty-three Mountaineers have played in Major League Baseball. The list includes current St. Louis Cardinals infielder Jedd Gyorko, a Morgantown native.
- Eighty-two Mountaineers have been selected in the MLB Draft. That includes 2016 draftees Chad Donato (11th round, Houston Astros) and Blake Smith (29th round, Los Angeles Angels).
- West Virginia did not field a team from 1943-45, due to World War II.

WVU Fifth in Big 12 Preseason Poll

- West Virginia was voted to finish fifth in the 2017 Big 12 Conference baseball preseason coaches' poll.
- The preseason ranking is WVU's highest since joining the conference in 2013. The Mountaineers received 40 points, the most in their five years in the league.
- TCU was a unanimous selection to win the league with 64 points, while Oklahoma State was second with 54. Eight points separated the next three spots, as Texas Tech garnered 48 points to finish third, followed by Texas in fourth with 41 points and WVU in fifth, with 40.
- WVU also received one first place vote. Coaches were not allowed to vote for their own team.

2017 Big 12 Coaches Preseason Poll

1.	TCU (8) *	64
2.	Oklahoma State	54
3.	Texas Tech	48
4.	Texas	41
5.	West Virginia (1)	40
6.	Oklahoma	28
7.	Baylor	26
8.	Kansas State	13
9.	Kansas	10

* Unanimous Selection

First-place votes in parentheses. Coaches are not permitted to vote for own team.





This Week in the Big 12

TUESDAY, MARCH 7

Texas 9, Richmond 0
Kansas State 16, Northwestern State 4
Oklahoma State 7, Missouri State 3
Baylor 6, Sam Houston State 5
Wichita State 4, Oklahoma 2
Texas Tech 13, Arizona 1
TCU 3, Dallas Baptist 2 (10 inn.)
West Virginia at SE Louisiana Rained Out

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

Kansas State 19, Northwestern State 9
Kansas 6, Nebraska-Omaha 5
SE Louisiana 4, West Virginia 2 (12 Inn.)
Texas 15, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 0

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

West Virginia at Old Dominion 2 p.m.
West Virginia at Old Dominion DH Game 2
Houston Baptist at Kansas 4 p.m.
UC Riverside at Kansas State 4 p.m.
South Dakota St. at Oklahoma St. 5 p.m.
Houston at Baylor 7:30 p.m.
UTSA at Texas Tech 7:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Oklahoma 7:30 p.m.
UCLA at Texas 7:30 p.m.
TCU at UC Irvine 9:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

UC Riverside at Kansas State 3 p.m.
West Virginia at Old Dominion 3 p.m.
Houston Baptist at Kansas 3 p.m.
Buffalo at Oklahoma 3 p.m.
South Dakota St. at Oklahoma St. 3 p.m.
Houston at Baylor 4 p.m.
UCLA at Texas 5 p.m.
TCU at UC Irvine 5 p.m.
Buffalo at Oklahoma 6:30 p.m.
UTSA at Texas Tech 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

UCLA at Texas 2 p.m.
UC Riverside at Kansas State 2 p.m.
South Dakota St. at Oklahoma St. 2 p.m.
UTSA at Texas Tech 2 p.m.
Houston Baptist at Kansas 2 p.m.
Buffalo at Oklahoma 2 p.m.
Houston at Baylor 2 p.m.
TCU at UC Irvine 4 p.m.

All Times Eastern

Homegrown Talent

Four players on the 2017 roster hail from West Virginia. It is tied for the second-most represented state on the team, behind Texas (10)

Player	Position	Year	Hometown
Shane Ennis	RHP	Jr.	Romney
Jimmy Galusky	SS	r-So.	Arthurdale
Michael Grove	RHP	So.	Wheeling
Chase Illig	C	r-Fr.	Bluefield

Mazey is WVU's Newest Mr. 100

Coach Randy Mazey won his 100th game at WVU in the Mountaineers' 11-6 victory at Kansas on March 26. On May 6, Mazey won his 300th career game as the Mountaineers beat Texas, 11-2.

- Mazey is the fifth coach in program history to eclipse the 100-win mark and the second to accomplish the feat in his first four seasons.
- Mazey joins Ira Errett Rodgers (1921-42, 46), Steve Harrick (1948-67), Dale Ramsburgh (1968-94) and Greg Van Zant (1995-2012) with at least 100 wins at WVU.
- Along with Mazey, only Van Zant won his 100th game in his fourth season. Harrick won his 100 game in his eighth, and Rodgers and Ramsburg reached the milestone in their ninth seasons at WVU.
- In his career, Mazey owns a 318-266-2 record, eclipsing the 300-win mark on May 6, 2016. Mazey is 131-106 at WVU.

Record Attendance in 2016

A total of 40,390 fans filled Monongalia County Ballpark in 2016, the highest home attendance in team history. For 30 home games, WVU averaged 1,346 fans per game, the second-highest average in program history. In the inaugural season at Monongalia County Ballpark in 2015, WVU averaged 1,507 fans per game.

Freshmen All-American Duo

For the second consecutive season, a pair of Mountaineers earned Freshman All-America accolades when outfielder Darius Hill and catcher/third baseman Ivan Gonzalez were honored.

- Hill was named to five Freshman All-America teams: Baseball America Second Team, NCBWA Second Team, Louisville Slugger as selected by Collegiate Baseball newspaper, Perfect Game Second Team and D1Baseball.com Second Team.
- Gonzalez was honored by Baseball America.
- Hill's three honors marks the seventh time in team history a player has earned at least three All-America accolades in a single season and the second in as many years, joining Kyle Davis. Gonzalez becomes the 16th player in program history to earn at least one All-America honor and it is the 43rd honor overall for the program.
- Both were named to the Big 12 All-Freshman team, while Hill was selected to the All-Big 12 Second Team and Gonzalez to the All-Big 12 Honorable Mention team.
- Hill led the team with 75 hits, 20 doubles and four triples and was second on the team with a .342 batting average, a .511 slugging percentage, a .420 on-base percentage, 32 walks and 49 runs scored.
- Gonzalez led the team with a .381 average and a .437 on-base percentage. He was second with a .493 slugging percentage. Despite playing in 43 games with 37 starts, he was fifth on the team with 51 hits, sixth with 23 RBIs and nine doubles and seventh with 16 walks.
- Gonzalez and Hill join Kyle Davis and BJ Myers, who earned Freshman All-America accolades in 2015. It is the second time in program history that two Mountaineers earned All-America honors in back-to-back years.
- The first time it happened was in 2008-09, when Jedd Gyorko was recognized both seasons, and Tyler Kuhn was honored in 2008 and Vince Belnome in 2009.

Big 12 Standings

As of games of March 8

Team	Big 12							Overall					
	Record	Pct	Home	Away	Neut	Streak	Record	Pct	Home	Away	Neut	Streak	
Baylor	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	12-1	.923	8-0	2-0	2-1	W2	
TCU	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	11-1	.917	7-1	1-0	3-0	W7	
Oklahoma	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	13-2	.867	13-2	0-0	0-0	L1	
Texas Tech	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	12-2	.857	7-0	1-1	4-1	W3	
Kansas State	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	11-2	.846	5-0	1-0	5-2	W7	
Texas	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	9-6	.600	7-3	2-3	0-0	W2	
West Virginia	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	7-5	.583	0-0	5-5	2-0	L1	
Oklahoma State	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	7-5	.583	3-2	2-2	2-1	W2	
Kansas	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	-	5-7	.417	4-2	1-3	0-2	W1	

NCBWA Top 30

March 6

	Team	Record	Prev.
1	TCU	10-1	1
2	Florida	10-2	2
3	Florida State	9-2	5
4	Louisville	11-0	6
5	Oregon State	10-1	4
6	Arizona	10-1	9
7	LSU	9-3	3
8	South Carolina	7-5	7
9	Texas Tech	11-2	11
10	Clemson	8-3	17
11	Virginia	11-1	10
12	Texas A&M	9-3	12
13	Stanford	9-3	16
14	Cal State Fullerton	5-4	4
15	North Carolina	9-3	8
16	Georgia Tech	9-2	19
17	Louisiana	6-4	NR
18	Ole Miss	7-4	13
19	East Carolina	8-3	NE
20	St. John's	10-1	18
21	Coastal Carolina	9-5	21
22	NC State	6-5	NR
23	Baylor	11-1	NR
24	Houston	7-3	22
25	Louisiana Tech	11-1	NR
26	Vanderbilt	7-5	15
27	Dallas Baptist	8-3	NR
28	Washington	7-4	28
29	Oklahoma	13-1	23
30	Arkansas	8-3	20

Others receiving votes (alphabetically):

Arizona State, Auburn, Bethune-Cookman, Cal State Bakersfield, Charleston Southern, **Charlotte**, FGCU, Florida A&M, James Madison, **Kansas State**, Kentucky, Lafayette, Long Beach State, Memphis, Miami (FL), Michigan, Michigan State, Mississippi State, Missouri, Missouri State, New Mexico, **Oklahoma State**, **Old Dominion**, Saint Louis, Saint Mary's College, Sam Houston State, San Diego, South Florida, **Southeastern Louisiana**, Southern Miss, Tennessee, Tennessee Tech, **Texas**, Towson, UC Riverside, UCF, UCLA, USC, Utah, Wake Forest, Washington State, Wright State

D-1 Baseball Top 25

March 6

	Team	Record	Prev.
1	TCU	10-1	1
2	Florida	10-2	2
3	Florida State	9-2	3
4	Oregon State	10-1	7
5	Louisville	12-0	9
6	Texas Tech	11-2	10
7	LSU	9-3	4
8	South Carolina	7-5	5
9	Arizona	10-2	14
10	Virginia	11-1	13
11	Cal State Fullerton	5-4	12
12	Stanford	9-3	19
13	North Carolina	9-3	8
14	Clemson	8-3	20
15	UL Lafayette	6-4	16
16	Ole Miss	7-4	11
17	Texas A&M	9-3	15
18	East Carolina	8-3	18
19	St. John's	10-1	22
20	NC State	6-5	6
21	Coastal Carolina	9-5	23
22	Baylor	11-1	NR
23	Houston	7-3	25
24	Michigan	9-3	NR
25	Vanderbilt	7-5	17

WVU opponents listed in **bold**.

Path to the Pros

Nineteen former Mountaineers played professional baseball in 2016, including five that played for WVU in 2016.

- Chad Donato and Blake Smith were selected in the 2016 Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft, Donato in the 11th round by the Houston Astros and Smith in the 29th round by the Los Angeles Angels
- Ross Vance and Ray Guerrini signed free-agent contracts with the St. Louis Cardinals and Seattle Mariners, respectively, and KC Huth played in the American Association for the Joplin Blasters.
- WVU has had 14 draft selection in coach Randy Mazey's four seasons, the most draft picks in a four-year stretch in team history. At least two West Virginia players have been drafted in each of Mazey's four seasons. With the two MLB draft picks in 2016, there have been 84 Mountaineer draft selections since the first draft was held in 1965.
- Last year's list of professional players was headlined by the St. Louis Cardinals' Jedd Gyorko. A Morgantown native, Gyorko was drafted by the San Diego Padres in the second round of the 2010 Draft and has played in the Major Leagues since 2013. Last season, Gyorko's first in St. Louis, he led the Cardinals with 30 home runs while posting a .243 batting average.

Schedule Breakdown

The 56-game schedule is highlighted by 23 home games and games against four of the eight teams that made the 2016 NCAA College World Series.

The slate features a pair of games at the 2016 national champions, Coastal Carolina, and Big 12 home series against TCU and Texas Tech, both coming off College World Series appearances. WVU also will travel to Oklahoma State, another College World Series program from a year ago, and Tulane, which reached the Regional final, for a total of 14 games against 2016 NCAA Tournament teams.

The 23-game home schedule at Monongalia County Ballpark includes games against reigning Big 12 regular season champion Texas Tech (May 5-7) and Big 12 Tournament champion TCU (April 14-16), as well as Oklahoma (April 28-30), Kansas (April 7-9), Pitt (May 16), Marshall (April 4) and Penn State (May 9). All but four home games, and every Big 12 game, will be in April and May.

"I'm excited that we have some really good teams coming to Morgantown this season, including two that were in the College World Series last year," Mazey said. "Our fans played a big role in building a strong home field advantage at Monongalia County Ballpark last year, and I know they'll get to see some great baseball again this year."

Season Preview

By Charlie Healy

The West Virginia baseball team has something to prove in 2017.

Coming off their best season since joining the Big 12 Conference and in the Randy Mazey era, the Mountaineers came agonizingly close to making the NCAA Tournament in 2016 for the first time since 1996.

The Mountaineers went 36-22, reached their first-ever Big 12 championship game, and finished the year as one of the nation's hottest teams, winning 17 of their last 21. However, WVU was listed as one of the first four teams out when the NCAA Tournament field was announced.

The mindset of playing with an edge and proving doubters wrong began on May 30, 2016, after the 64-team NCAA Tournament field was revealed and just three Big 12 teams were invited. WVU, which finished fourth in the Big 12, as well as the league, felt slighted. Oklahoma State, TCU and Texas Tech proceeded to prove the conference's doubters wrong as all three teams advanced all the way to the College World Series.

Fast forward to 2017, and Mazey and the Mountaineers know they have what it takes to end WVU's NCAA Tournament drought. Now, it's on them to prove everyone outside of Morgantown wrong.

"We have something to prove," Mazey said. "We continue to feel like we're doing well, but I don't think anybody outside of WVU thinks we're good enough to play in the postseason. Every day we take the field, we're out to prove to the rest of the country that we belong.

"This group needs to play with an edge and play like they're mad, and they need to be because there was a whole group of people last year who told them they weren't good enough. It's a pretty good sign going into this year that they are out there trying to prove to a lot of people how good they are."

That begins with embracing the process of a 56-game season. From the start of practice in the fall, the mindset was to focus on the process – training and competing to be the best every day.

From eating right and training hard every day to getting enough sleep, the 35 players on the roster are embracing that process. It helps that seven of nine starting position players return, along with three starting pitchers who have had plenty of Big 12 success and a strong corps of relievers in the bullpen.



Bolstering that group is the highest-rated recruiting class in program history.

"We've got guys back from last year who have had some success, and we've added some guys to that," Mazey said. "We've got some pretty good depth in the lineup that we can interchange guys and rest other guys when we need to. I'm pretty excited about the offense that we're going to be able to put out there."

The question marks, and the reason the Mountaineers are ready to prove people wrong, are that the missing pieces from last year's team all made an impact. Of the six major departures from a year ago, two were drafted and two more signed free agent contracts with Major League Baseball organizations last summer. In total, five of the six Mountaineers who saw extended playing time last year who did not return in 2017 played professionally last summer.

What the national experts don't see though, is how West Virginia has responded to those losses. Particularly, Mazey likes the offensive makeup of the 2017 Mountaineers.

"We've got a great mix. I think we have four or five guys who can hit double-digit homers on this team. Of the guys that don't, we have guys who can play some small ball. Jimmy Galusky, Kyle Gray and new center fielder Brandon White can really run, so that's a really neat mix. You look at Coastal Carolina last year, they won the national championship and that's what they did. A bunch of guys had a lot of homers, but they also were top 10 in the nation in sacrifice bunts too. I think we have that type of team offensively that we're going to be able to do that."

West Virginia hit .287 as a team last year, which ranked No. 3 in the Big 12 and was WVU's best average since joining the conference in 2013. Seven of nine starters and 11 position players return in 2017.

There aren't a lot of holes to fill in the starting lineup in the field. The newcomers add depth and bring plenty of success at the high school level.

"I like their energy and ability to help in spots where we needed help," Mazey said of the new faces on the roster. "We have a lot of guys back from last year, so we didn't need anyone to come in and just take over anywhere. The freshmen are going to get their chances."

Just like with the bats and in the field, there is a mix of experience and fresh faces on the mound. West Virginia has 10 pitchers returning from a staff that ranked third in the Big 12 with a 4.07 ERA.

Despite losing ERA leader Chad Donato, saves leader Blake Smith and wins leader Ross Vance, who all signed with MLB clubs last summer, the pieces are there to fill those holes. That includes starters Conner Dotson, Michael Grove and BJ Myers, all of whom have had success in the Big 12.

West Virginia is gaining respect within the league. The Big 12's coaches voted WVU fifth in the preseason coaches' poll, the Mountaineers' best-ever preseason ranking, and the 40 points in the poll were also a program best.

From the wealth of returning position players to a strong corps of returning pitchers and a much-heralded recruiting class, there is plenty of reason for optimism at Monongalia County Ballpark.

It's a group that wants to be that first team from West Virginia to make the NCAA Tournament since 1996. Now, all they have to do is go out there and do it.

As the season begins on Friday, here's a position-by-position look at the 2017 Mountaineers:

PITCHING

The Mountaineer pitching staff will be led by returning starters Conner Dotson, Michael Grove and BJ Myers, who combined for 21 starts a season ago.

The trio has seen plenty of success in the Big 12 and all played crucial roles in WVU's strong finish to the 2016 season.

Dotson, a junior, pitched in 20 games with four starts and tied for the team lead with seven wins. He was 3-0 as a starter, including a dominant postseason performance in a win over Oklahoma in the Big 12 Championship to send WVU to its first ever Big 12 title game. Dotson was named to the Big 12 All-Tournament Team.

Also a junior, Myers made 17 appearances with 10 starts in 2016 after earning Freshman All-America honors in 2015. Myers won five games as a sophomore and pitched 4.2 strong innings in relief at the Big 12 Championship in WVU's win over No. 5 Texas Tech.

Grove, a sophomore, made a big impact as a freshman, earning All-Big 12 Honorable Mention Team honors. A Wheeling, West Virginia, native, he made seven starts, posting a 2.70 ERA.

"BJ, Michael and Conner are three veteran guys who have been here," Mazey said. "I call Grove a veteran just because he pitched so much down the stretch. Those guys could be as good as anybody out there, I feel pretty good about that. Early on, when pitch counts aren't as high, you have to use a lot more people but when those guys settle in and start doing their thing, I feel really good about flipping them the ball."

After Dotson, Grove and Myers, there are plenty of options. Eight returning arms, and as many as nine newcomers, will be in the bullpen. Two key pieces, a fourth starter and a closer, have to be development.

Among the returners, those options could be senior Jackson Sigman, junior Shane Ennis and sophomores Tanner Campbell and Braden Zarbnisky.

Sigman made 20 appearances last year, including key stops in each game of a three-game sweep of Texas. Zarbnisky was pivotal as a starter and a reliever, making 12 appearances and four starts. Ennis appeared in eight games, while Campbell made five starts.

Freshmen Alek Manoah, Carter Camp and Isaiah Kearns have shown promise during the preseason.

"Beyond our starters, we're going to have to piece it together, try to find a fourth starter, someone who can finish the game at the end," Mazey said. "Alek Manoah has stepped up and looks like he could finish some games, Braden Zarbnisky has thrown really well, so he'll be in the mix somewhere. A couple of freshmen, including Carter Camp and Isaiah Kearns have thrown really well. We have options, but it's a little scary when guys haven't proven themselves and had success. You have to learn how to have success at this level."

The pitching staff is where the Mountaineers saw their biggest losses, headlined by Chad Donato, Blake Smith and Ross Vance.

Donato and Smith were drafted, while Vance signed a free agent contract. Donato was drafted in the 11th round by the Houston Astros, Smith was selected in the 29th round by the Los Angeles Angels and Vance signed with the St. Louis Cardinals organization.

Donato made 15 starts and led the team with a 3.27 earned run average, while Vance made 13 starts and had a team-high-tying seven wins. Smith, who made 25 appearances, had eight saves, second-most in program history.

West Virginia's 13 saves rank No. 2 in the WVU record books. Manoah and Zarbnisky have led the charge to earn the closing spot early in the season.

"Could be Alek Manoah, a big freshman from Florida," Mazey said. It could be Braden Zarbnisky, who had days where he showed a high-level breaking ball, a swing-and-a-miss breaking ball. You know at the back end you have to have somebody who can make batters swing and miss. The closer could be by committee early on until somebody wins it, but we have a couple of capable guys back there."

INFIELD

The Mountaineers return every starter on the infield. Despite featuring one senior and three sophomores, the foursome return experience, solid defense and offensive potential.

"We're very athletic in the infield," Mazey said "We have some options,

with guys moving in and out. We feel really good about our team defensively. With Cole Austin, Jimmy Galusky, Kyle Gray and Jackson Cramer, plus guys like Marques Inman, Alek Manoah, TJ Lake and Kevin Brophy, we have different options."

Jackson Cramer, one of two seniors on the 2017 roster, leads the infield.

Cramer played in all but two games at first base last season, leading the team with 45 RBI and a .535 slugging percentage, while finishing second with nine home runs, 60 hits, 14 doubles and 32 walks. He was third with a .300 batting average and 34 runs scored. He earned All-Big 12 Second Team honors and was a three-time Big 12 Player of the Week.

Cramer also had a 10-game hitting streak and opened the season reaching base in 50 consecutive games, 30 games coming in 2016 and 20 carrying over from 2015.

"Jackson had to be one of the hottest hitters in the nation the second half of last year," Mazey said. "I think a lot of it had to do with when that streak ended, nobody was asking him about it or talking about it and he just went out and started hitting. He could not have cared less if he got a hit or not and ended up getting a lot more because of it. If he just relaxes, goes out and plays, he's the guy in our lineup that the other teams look at him and say, 'wow is that guy still there?' Jackson has been in the middle of their lineup for three straight years so, he's got a chance to have a really good year for us if he just relaxes."

The rest of the starters on the infield are sophomores, but they do not lack experience.

At second base, Kyle Gray started 16 games as a freshman and had 35 starts in the outfield. He hit .270 with 47 hits, 22 RBI and showed his speed with a team-high 10 stolen bases.

Jimmy Galusky mans shortstop. The Arthurdale, West Virginia, native was named to the All-Big 12 Honorable Mention Team and started 57 games at shortstop as a freshman. He hit .282 with 53 hits and 17 RBI and was second on the team with five game-winning hits.

"Jimmy is probably the best shortstop in the league," Mazey said. "He had the fewest errors of, I think, any shortstop in the Big 12 and ended up somewhere around .270-.280. If Jimmy could just get a little better offensively every year, by the time he leaves, he's got a chance to be as good as any shortstop that's played here."

Cole Austin is expected to man the hot corner. He made 39 starts as a freshman, 27 at second base and 12 at third. Austin had 32 hits in 41 games with four home runs, six doubles and seven stolen bases in eight attempts.

Austin was one of three players with at least 10 starts at third base. The list also features junior Kyle Davis and sophomore Ivan Gonzalez. Davis is expected to play primarily in left, and Gonzalez will take over the primary responsibilities behind the plate.

"We've tried a couple different things," Mazey said of the third base position. "Cole Austin has spent time over there and has really good hands and likes it over there, so that might be a spot for him. On days when Ivan doesn't catch, he can always go out there. He went out there last year, literally not having practiced there, and looked like Brooks Robinson on some days. We can juggle that spot a little bit more than the others."

With Cramer, Gray, Galusky and Austin, along with capable backups, the WVU infield has its sights set on a big year.

OUTFIELD

In the outfield, a pair of star-studded corner outfielders return, while a center fielder needs to be developed.

Right field is anchored by Darius Hill. He started all 58 games and earned Freshman All-America honors after leading the Mountaineers with 75 hits, 20 doubles and a .511 slugging percentage in 2016.

Kyle Davis is in left field. Also a Freshman All-American, in 2015, Davis led WVU with 10 home runs, 39 walks and 52 runs scored and hit .280 as a sophomore in 2016. Davis started 56 games last year, splitting time

between third base, left field and designated hitter.

"Kyle has turned himself into a really good left fielder so he's going to stay out there and he's turned into a well-rounded player," Mazey said. "The last couple years it's been mostly offense. His defense was okay, but now, through his own work ethic and to his credit, he has rounded his game out pretty well."

In center field, Mazey has a couple of options. One is sophomore Zarbnisky, who started 14 games in the outfield last year, and the other is freshman Brandon White.

"Kyle Davis and Darius Hill are middle-of-the-lineup guys who have turned themselves into really good outfielders," Mazey said. "They're going to hopefully hold down the corners, and we have some options in center field. One is Braden Zarbnisky, who played there last year. Brandon White has really stepped up and shown that he can be a great defender out there. We have options and can play with some different lineups and get different guys in the game. It's just knowing which ones to put out there at the right times."

CATCHER

Catcher is a position where the Mountaineers lost a lot, but very well might gain just as much.

Ivan Gonzalez (who went by Ivan Vera last year), returns as a sophomore after a Freshman All-America campaign in 2016. He led the team with a .381 batting average and a .437 on-base percentage recorded 51 hits, 23 RBI and nine doubles.

Gonzalez came to WVU as a catcher and started eight games. He was a backup to junior Ray Guerrini, but his hot bat forced Mazey to put him in the lineup. That's where third base came in, a position Gonzalez hadn't played in years.

Gonzalez started the final 20 games of the year at third, allowing Guerrini to remain behind the plate. After Guerrini signed a free-agent contract with the Seattle Mariners organization last summer, Gonzalez went back to his natural position.

"Ivan has really caught and thrown well this spring," Mazey said. "He's swinging the bat well. He's won that job hands down, but Nick Denicola and Chase Illig, we need to find ways to get them in the game. They're freshmen backing him up. We just have to pick our spots to get them experience."



14 RANDY MAZEY HEAD COACH



Personal

Hometown	Johnstown, Pa.
Alma Mater	Clemson, 1988 (B.S.) Clemson, 1993 (M.S.)
Family	wife, Amanda; son, Weston; daughter, Sierra

Playing Experience

1985-88	Clemson (NCAA)
1988	Burlington (Rookie)
1989	Miami (Class A)

Playing Honors

1986	All-ACC First Team
1987	All-ACC First Team All-ACC Academic Team
1988	All-ACC Second Team All-ACC Academic Team

Postseason Experience

at Clemson	
1990-93	NCAA Regional
1991	College World Series
at Charleston Southern	
1996	NCAA Regional
at East Carolina	
2003-05	NCAA Regional
2004	NCAA Super Regional
at Tennessee	
2001	NCAA Regional
2001	NCAA Super Regional
2001	College World Series
at TCU	
2007-12	NCAA Regional
2009-10, '12	NCAA Super Regional
2010	College World Series

Coaching Record

Year	School	Pos.	W-L	NCAA
1990	Clemson	AC	43-23	Regional
1991	Clemson	AC	60-10	CWS
1992	Clemson	AC	50-14	Regional
1993	Clemson	AC	45-20	Regional
1994	Char. Southern	HC	19-34	
1995	Char. Southern	HC	17-36	
1996	Char. Southern	HC	30-24-1	Regional
1997	Georgia	AC	28-27	
1998	East Carolina	AC	30-29	
1999	Tennessee	AC	28-28	
2000	Tennessee	AC	40-23	
2001	Tennessee	AC	48-20	CWS
2002	Tennessee	AC	27-28	
2003	East Carolina	HC	34-27-1	Regional
2004	East Carolina	HC	51-13	S. Regional
2005	East Carolina	HC	36-26	Regional
2007	TCU	AC	48-14	Regional
2008	TCU	AC	44-1	Regional
2009	TCU	AC	40-18	S. Regional
2010	TCU	AC	54-14	CWS
2011	TCU	AC	43-19	Regional
2012	TCU	AC	40-22	S. Regional
2013	West Virginia	HC	33-26	
2014	West Virginia	HC	28-26	
2015	West Virginia	HC	27-27	
2016	West Virginia	HC	36-22	
2017	West Virginia	HC	7-5	

Total Years – Coaching	27th
Total Years – Head Coach	11th
NCAA Tournament	15
College World Series	3

Record at WVU	131-106 (.551)
Head Coaching Record	318-266-2 (.544)

Line Scores

Game 1 | Charlotte 6, West Virginia 3

February 17, 2017 | Hayes Stadium | Charlotte, North Carolina

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3	10	1	(0-1)
Charlotte	0	1	0	1	0	0	4	0	x	6	9	0	(1-0)

Win - Volger (1-0) Loss - Myers (0-1) Save - Patten (1)
 HR - WVU - Davis
 T - 2:25 A - 1,135 W - Sunny, Clear & Perfect - 68F

Game 2 | Charlotte 13, West Virginia 2

February 18, 2017 | Hayes Stadium | Charlotte, North Carolina

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	7	1	(0-2)
Charlotte	0	1	0	3	0	4	5	0	x	13	15	0	(2-0)

Win - Maciejewski (1-0) Loss - Grove (0-1) Save - None
 HR - UNCC - Sherer, Nichting, Mims
 T - 2:56 A - 1,584 W - Sunny & Clear - 67F

Game 3 | West Virginia 6, Charlotte 3

February 19, 2017 | Hayes Stadium | Charlotte, North Carolina

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	6	12	1	(1-2)
Charlotte	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	3	12	0	(2-1)

Win - Dotson (1-0) Loss - Vogler (1-1) Save - None
 HR - None
 T - 3:08 A - 1,458 W - Sunny & Perfect Again - 68F

Game 4 | West Virginia 5, George Mason 3 | Caravelle Resort Tournament

February 24, 2017 | Pelicans Ballpark | Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
George Mason	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	5	0	(2-2)
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	x	5	10	0	(2-2)

Win - Myers (1-1) Loss - Nightengale (0-1) Save - None
 HR - GMU - Smith, Nelin
 T - 2:25 A - 550 W - Mid-70s, Sunny

Game 5 | West Virginia 22, No. 18 Coastal Carolina 9 | Caravelle Resort Tourn.

February 25, 2017 | Springs Brooks Stadium | Conway, South Carolina

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	6	12	1	(3-2)
Coastal Carolina	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	3	12	0	(3-4)

Win - Kearns (1-0) Loss - Beckwith (0-1) Save - None
 HR - WVU - Hill, Cramer, Austin, Inman, Gonzalez, Galusky
 CCU - Woodall, Crump, Pearcey
 T - 4:13 A - 2,319 W - 81, Mostly Sunny, Breeze to LF

Game 6 | West Virginia 4, Ball State 1 | Caravelle Resort Tournament

February 26, 2017 | Pelicans Ballpark | Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	4	1	(4-2)
Ball State	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	(4-3)

Win - Zarbnisky (1-0) Loss - Brockhouse (1-1) Save - Manoah (1)
 HR - WVU - Hill
 T - 2:15 A - 500 W - High 50s, Sunny

Game 7 | West Virginia 4, No. 18 Coastal Carolina 1 | Caravelle Resort Tourn.

February 27, 2017 | Springs Brooks Stadium | Conway, South Carolina

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	9	0	(5-2)
Coastal Carolina	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	(4-5)

Win - Dotson (2-0) Loss - Hopeck (0-1) Save - Potock (1)
 HR - WVU - Austin
 T - 3:11 A - 1,553 W - 68 and Sunny

Game 8 | West Virginia 8, Nicholls 1

March 2, 2017 | Ray E. Didier Field | Thibodaux, Louisiana

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	0	0	1	4	0	2	1	0	0	8	14	1	(6-2)
Nicholls	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	(4-5)

Win - Kearns (2-0) Loss - Goff (1-1) Save - None
 HR - WVU - Cramer
 T - 2:49 A - 418 W - 65, Clear, NNE 10 mph

Game 9 | Tulane 9, West Virginia 8

March 3, 2017 | Greer Field at Turchin Stadium | New Orleans, Louisiana

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	1	1	8	11	1	(6-3)
Tulane	2	2	0	0	3	0	1	0	1	9	11	0	(2-7)

Win - Price (1-0) Loss - Sigman (0-1) Save - None
 HR - TU - Kaplan, DeHart
 T - 3:12 A - 2,008 W - 62, Clear, Wind SE at 11 mph

Game 10 | Tulane 6, West Virginia 0

March 4, 2017 | Greer Field at Turchin Stadium | New Orleans, Louisiana

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	(6-4)
Tulane	1	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	x	6	6	0	(3-7)

Win - France (1-1) Loss - Camp (0-1) Save - None
 HR - None
 T - 2:54 A - 2,210 W - 64, Cloudy, Wind ESE at 23 mph

Game 11 | West Virginia 18, Tulane 5

March 5, 2017 | Greer Field at Turchin Stadium | New Orleans, Louisiana

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	4	0	5	3	3	2	0	0	1	18	20	2	(7-4)
Tulane	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	7	5	(3-8)

Win - Dotson (3-0) Loss - Massey (0-2) Save - None
 HR - WVU - Austin, Kearns; TU - Montalbano
 T - 3:30 A - 1,897 W - 71, Cloudy, Wind SSW at 9 mph

Game 12 | West Virginia 18, Tulane 5

March 8, 2017 | Pat Kenelly Diamond at Alumni Field | Hammond, Louisiana

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	R	H	E	Record
West Virginia	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	7	2	(7-5)
SE Louisiana	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	8	1	(8-4)

Win - Avans (1-0) Loss - Potock (0-1) Save - None
 HR - WVU - Inman; SLU - Schwaner
 T - 3:49 A - 1,492 W - Partly Cloudy, 68, Wind SSE 1 mph



Series Hitting Breakdown

Opponent	AVG	R	H	RBI	XBH	BB-SO
Charlotte	.287	11	29	11	8	13-16
Caravelle Tourn.	.358	31	43	27	13	10-22
Nicholls	.359	8	14	8	6	2-8
Tulane	.319	26	36	25	10	23-17
SE Louisiana	.175	2	7	2	2	4-15

Results Breakdown

7-5 Overall | 0-0 Big 12 | 0-0 Home | 5-5 Away | 2-0 Neutral
 6-3 Day | 1-2 Night | 0-1 One-Run Games | 0-1 Extra Innings | 2-0 vs. Top 25

Date	Opponent	Score	WVU				Opponent				Inn	Record	Pitcher	Attend	Time
			R	H	E	LOB	R	H	E	LOB					
2/17	at Charlotte	L 6-3	3	10	1	8	6	9	0	4	9	0-1	Myers (0-1)	1,135	2:25
2/19	at Charlotte	L 13-2	2	7	1	8	13	15	0	8	9	0-2	Grove (0-1)	1,584	2:56
2/19	at Charlotte	W 6-5	6	12	1	9	3	12	0	11	9	1-2	Dotson (1-0)	1,458	3:08
2/24	vs. George Mason	W 5-3	5	10	0	8	3	5	0	4	9	2-2	Myers (1-1)	550	2:25
2/25	at #18 Coastal Car.	W 22-9	22	29	0	12	9	9	3	11	9	3-2	Kearns (1-0)	2,319	4:13
2/26	vs. Ball State	W 4-1	4	4	1	5	1	2	1	2	9	4-2	Zarbnisky (1-0)	500	2:15
2/27	at #18 Coastal Car.	W 4-1	4	9	0	9	1	7	0	10	9	5-2	Dotson (2-0)	1,553	3:11
3/2	at Nicholls	W 8-1	8	14	1	9	1	3	0	6	9	6-2	Kearns (2-0)	418	2:49
3/3	at Tulane	L 9-8	8	11	1	12	9	11	0	6	9	6-3	Sigman (0-1)	2,008	3:12
3/4	at Tulane	L 6-0	0	5	3	6	6	6	0	12	9	6-4	Camp (0-1)	2,210	2:54
3/5	at Tulane	W 18-5	18	20	2	14	5	7	5	7	9	7-4	Dotson (3-0)	1,897	3:30
3/8	at SE Louisiana	L 4-2	2	7	2	7	4	8	1	10	12	7-5	Potock (0-1)	1,492	3:49

Series Pitching Breakdown

Opponent	W-L	ERA	IP	H	R-ER	BB-SO
Charlotte	1-2	7.56	25.0	36	22-21	7-15
Caravelle Tourn.	4-0	4.33	27.0	16	13-13	13-33
Nicholls	1-0	0.00	9.0	3	1-0	4-7
Tulane	1-2	5.61	25.2	24	20-16	22-28
SE Louisiana	0-1	3.18	11.1	8	4-4	5-13

Overall Hitting Statistics

Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	tb	slg%	bb	hp	so	gdp	ob%	sf	sh	sb-att	po	a	e	fld%	
46 White, Brandon	.400	9-8	25	4	10	2	0	0	5	12	.480	4	1	3	2	.484	1	0	0-2	21	0	0	1.000	
25 Inman, Marques	.375	9-9	32	6	12	2	1	2	6	22	.688	2	2	7	0	.432	1	0	0-0	9	1	0	1.000	
3 Galusky, Jimmy	.350	12-12	40	11	14	2	1	1	6	21	.525	8	1	10	0	.469	0	2	1-1	17	24	2	.953	
13 Cramer, Jackson	.348	12-12	46	9	16	5	0	2	13	27	.587	8	0	10	0	.436	1	0	1-1	78	11	2	.978	
5 Davis, Kyle	.339	12-12	56	7	19	5	0	1	12	27	.482	5	0	5	0	.393	0	0	1-3	13	1	0	1.000	
28 Austin, Cole	.327	12-12	52	13	17	1	1	3	10	29	.558	5	2	9	0	.407	0	0	2-2	11	24	2	.946	
31 Hill, Darius	.309	12-12	55	9	17	2	0	2	11	25	.455	3	0	9	1	.345	0	1	2-3	24	3	0	1.000	
32 Gonzalez, Ivan	.286	11-10	42	6	12	2	0	1	6	17	.405	2	0	3	1	.311	1	1	0-0	76	5	2	.976	
12 Lake, TJ	.263	11-10	38	5	10	2	0	0	3	12	.316	6	1	10	1	.378	0	0	2-2	15	11	1	.963	

41 Kearns, Isaiah	.667	3-0	3	1	2	0	0	1	1	5	1.667	0	0	1	0	.667	0	0	0-0	1	3	0	1.000	
26 Zarbnisky, Braden	.389	7-4	18	7	7	1	0	0	1	8	.444	5	0	5	0	.522	0	0	1-1	11	1	0	1.000	
24 Illig, Chase	.125	7-4	16	2	2	0	1	0	1	4	.250	1	1	4	0	.222	0	0	0-0	27	5	0	1.000	
9 Gray, Kyle	.000	5-3	14	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	.000	6	0	3	0	.300	0	0	0-0	5	6	1	.917	
45 Zitel, Andrew	.000	5-0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3	0	.000	0	1	0-0	5	2	1	.875	
23 Brophy, Kevin	.000	4-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	2	0	2	0	.500	0	0	0-0	0	1	0	1.000	
47 Manoah, Alek	.000	2-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	2	0	0	1.000	
Totals	.310	12	445	82	138	24	4	13	77	209	.470	57	8	85	5	.395	4	5	10-15	321	110	13	.971	
Opponents	.237	12	396	61	94	12	3	13	59	151	.381	57	11	109	5	.344	7	2	9-13	330	112	10	.978	

LOB - Team (107), Opp (91). DPs turned - Team (7), Opp (11). IBB - Team (2), Lake, TJ 1, Zarbnisky, B 1, Opp (2). Picked off - White, B. 1, Galusky, J. 1.

Overall Pitching Statistics

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sho	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so	2b	3b	hr	b/avg	wp	hp	bks	sfa	sha
10 Dotson, Conner	3.18	3-0	3	3	0	0/0	0	17.0	17	6	6	10	17	2	1	1	.279	0	1	0	0	1
41 Kearns, Isaiah	3.46	2-0	4	2	0	0/0	0	13.0	9	5	5	5	12	2	1	3	.180	1	2	0	0	0
33 Myers, BJ	4.91	1-1	3	3	0	0/0	0	18.1	18	12	10	3	15	4	0	2	.254	0	1	1	0	0

6 Troutt, Riley	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	4.0	3	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	.231	0	0	0	0	0
16 McDonald, Ryan	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	2.1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0
43 Strowd, Kade	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	.250	1	1	0	0	0
47 Manoah, Alek	2.25	0-0	4	0	0	0/0	1	4.0	2	2	1	4	4	0	0	0	.143	0	1	0	1	0
34 Sigman, Jackson	2.53	0-1	6	0	0	0/0	0	10.2	10	3	3	3	16	0	0	0	.250	1	1	1	1	0
26 Zarbnisky, Braden	4.00	1-0	5	0	0	0/0	0	9.0	5	4	4	4	14	1	0	1	.156	1	2	0	0	1
40 Potock, Jacob	5.40	0-1	5	0	0	0/0	1	8.1	9	6	5	4	7	0	0	2	.273	0	1	1	2	0
8 Ennis, Shane	5.40	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	3.1	1	2	2	6	3	0	0	1	.100	0	0	0	0	0
44 Camp, Carter	5.68	0-1	3	2	0	0/0	0	6.1	4	4	4	5	10	1	1	0	.182	0	1	0	0	0
7 Vesuivo, Frank	9.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	.333	1	0	0	1	0
2 Grove, Michael	10.29	0-1	2	2	0	0/0	0	7.0	9	8	8	5	7	0	0	1	.321	1	0	0	2	0
42 Kessler, Sam	32.40	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.2	5	6	6	2	2	1	0	2	.556	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	4.63	7-5	12	12	0	0/0	2	107.0	94	61	55	57	109	12	3	13	.237	6	11	3	7	2
Opponents	6.05	5-7	12	12	0	1/1	1	110.0	138	82	74	57	85	24	4	13	.310	13	8	0	4	5

PB - Team (1), Gonzalez, I. 1, Opp (1). Pickoffs - Team (4), McDonald, R. 1, Grove, M. 1, Zarbnisky, B 1, Illig, C. 1, Opp (2). SBA/ATT - Gonzalez, I. (9-12), Dotson, C. (2-3), Ennis, S. (2-3), Grove, M. (2-3), Kessler, S. (0-1), Myers, BJ (1-1), Potock, J. (1-1), Kearns, I. (1-1).



Career Multi-Hit Games

Player	2014	2015	2016	2017	Total
Kyle Davis		25	14	4	43
Jackson Cramer	6	13	19	3	41
Darius Hill			27	4	31
Jimmy Galusky			14	4	18
Ivan Gonzalez			15	2	17
Kyle Gray			12		12
Cole Austin			7	5	12
Braden Zarbnisky			6	2	8
Marques Inman			3	3	6
Andrew Zitel			2		2
TJ Lake				2	2
Brandon White				2	2
Chase Illig				1	1

Career Multi-RBI Games

Player	2014	2015	2016	2017	Total
Jackson Cramer	4	5	11	2	22
Kyle Davis		7	8	3	18
Darius Hill			10	4	14
Cole Austin			5	4	9
Ivan Gonzalez			7	1	8
Kyle Gray			4	1	5
Marques Inman			3	2	5
Jimmy Galusky			3	2	5
Andrew Zitel			2		2
Braden Zarbnisky			2		2
Brandon White				2	2

Career Home Runs

Player	2014	2015	2016	2017	Total
Jackson Cramer	1	8	9	2	20
Kyle Davis		4	10	1	15
Cole Austin			4	3	7
Darius Hill			3	2	5
Marques Inman			1	2	3
Jimmy Galusky			1	1	2
Ivan Gonzalez			0	1	1
Isaiah Kearns				1	1

Career Start Chart

Player	Career	2017	Consecutive
Jackson Cramer	140	12	39
Kyle Davis	120	12	39
Darius Hill	70	12	70
Jimmy Galusky	69	12	35
Kyle Gray	52	3	3
Cole Austin	51	12	17
Ivan Gonzalez	47	10	4
Braden Zarbnisky	27	4	0
Marques Inman	26	9	2
Andrew Zitel	4	0	0
TJ Lake	10	10	0
Brandon White	8	8	2
Chase Illig	4	4	0

Home Run Breakdown

No.	Player	Gm#	Date	Opponent	Pitcher	On Base	Inn	Outs	Count	Score	Final
1.	Kyle Davis	1	2/17	at Charlotte	Colton Laws	1	5	2	0-0	L, 2-0	L, 6-3
2.	Darius Hill	5	2/25	at Coastal Carolina	Andrew Beckwith	1	1	1	1-0	0-0	W, 22-0
3.	Cole Austin	5	2/25	at Coastal Carolina	Andrew Beckwith	2	4	0	0-1	W, 6-4	W, 22-0
4.	Jimmy Galusky	5	2/25	at Coastal Carolina	Rafi Vazquez	0 *	6	0	1-2	W, 12-7	W, 22-0
5.	Marques Inman	5	2/25	at Coastal Carolina	Mitchell Mikes	0 *	9	0	0-0	W, 14-9	W, 22-0
6.	Ivan Gonzalez	5	2/25	at Coastal Carolina	Mitchell Mikes	0	9	0	1-1	W, 15-9	W, 22-0
7.	Jackson Cramer	5	2/25	at Coastal Carolina	Mitchell Mikes	2	9	0	1-2	W, 19-9	W, 22-0
8.	Darius Hill	6	2/26	vs. Ball State	Colin Brockhouse	1	8	2	1-0	L, 1-0	W, 4-1
9.	Cole Austin	7	2/27	at Coastal Carolina	Zack Hopeck	0	3	1	0-1	W, 2-1	W, 4-1
10.	Jackson Cramer	8	3/2	at Nicholls	Alex Ernestine	1	6	2	1-0	W, 5-0	W, 8-1
11.	Cole Austin #	11	3/5	at Tulane	Ross Massey	0	3	1	0-0	W, 4-2	W, 18-5
12.	Isaiah Kearns	11	3/5	at Tulane	Robert Price	0	9	1	0-1	W, 17-5	W, 18-5
13.	Marques Inman	12	3/8	at SE Louisiana	Carlisle Koestler	0	2	2	1-0	0-0	L, 4-2 (12)

* - leadoff home run

- inside the park home run

Hitting Streaks

Player	Longest		
	Career	2017	Current
Kyle Davis	15	7	2
Jackson Cramer	12	5	6
Ivan Gonzalez	11	8	2
Kyle Gray	9	1	0
Darius Hill	13	13	0
Cole Austin	8	5	4
Jimmy Galusky	5	3	0
Braden Zarbnisky	5	3	0
Marques Inman	4	4	2
Andrew Zitel	3	0	0
TJ Lake	3	3	0
Brandon White	3	3	2
Isaiah Kearns	2	2	2
Chase Illig	1	1	0

Reached Base Streaks

Player	Longest		
	Career	2017	Current
Jackson Cramer	50	6	6
Kyle Davis	36	9	2
Ivan Gonzalez	13	8	2
Darius Hill	13	13	0
Kyle Gray	10	3	0
Cole Austin	8	7	4
Jimmy Galusky	7	7	0
TJ Lake	7	7	7
Braden Zarbnisky	6	5	0
Marques Inman	6	6	2
Brandon White	6	6	2
Andrew Zitel	3	0	0
Isaiah Kearns	2	2	2
Chase Illig	2	2	2
Kevin Brophy	1	1	1

Game-Winning RBI

No. Player (#)	Gm#	Date	Opponent	Runs	Outs	Count	Inning	Final	Play
1. Darius Hill (1)	3	2/19	at Charlotte	2	2	1-2	7	6-3	2B to RC
2. Cole Austin (1)	4	2/24	vs. Ball State	3	2	1-2	7	5-3	3B to RF
3. Jackson Cramer (1)	5	2/25	at Coastal Carolina	1	1	2-2	5	22-9	2B to CF
4. Darius Hill (2)	6	2/26	vs. Ball State	2	2	1-0	8	4-1	HR to RF
5. Cole Austin (2)	7	2/27	at Coastal Carolina	1	1	0-1	1	4-1	1B thru LS
6. Chase Illig (1)	8	3/2	at Nicholls	1	0	2-1	4	8-1	3B to CF
7. N/A	11	3/5	at Tulane	1	1	--	3	18-5	FPO to 1B

* - No RBI credited on the play

Hitting Breakdown

Player	Multi-Hit Games					Multi-RBI Games					Home Runs					Career Game Highs		
	Total	2	3	4	5+	Total	2	3	4	5+	Total	Solo	2	3	GS	Hits	RBI	HR
Cole Austin	5	3	2	0	0	4	2	2	0	0	3	2	0	1	0	4	5	1
Jackson Cramer	3	2	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	0	5	6	2
Kyle Davis	3	0	2	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	4	4	1
Jimmy Galusky	4	2	2	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	5	3	1
Ivan Gonzalez	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	4	3	1
Kyle Gray	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	0
Darius Hill	4	3	0	1	0	4	3	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	4	4	1
Chase Illig	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
Marques Inman	3	1	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	4	3	1
Isaiah Kearns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
TJ Lake	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
Brandon White	2	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0
Braden Zarbnisky	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0
Andrew Zitel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0

* - Indicates career-high number



Starter Stats

Pitcher	Starts	IP	W-L	ERA	B/AV
Conner Dotson	3	17.0	3-0	3.18	.279
BJ Myers	3	18.1	1-1	4.91	.254
Isaiah Kearns	2	10.0	1-0	1.80	.114
Carter Camp	2	6.0	0-1	6.00	.150
Michael Grove	2	7.0	0-1	10.29	.321

Run Support

Pitcher	Starts	Total Runs	Avg.
Michael Grove	2	24	12.0
High: 22, at Coastal Carolina (2/25)			
Low: 2, at Charlotte (2/18)			
Conner Dotson	3	28	9.33
High: 18, at Tulane (3/5)			
Low: 4, at Coastal Carolina (2/27)			
BJ Myers	3	16	8.0
High: 8, at Tulane (3/3)			
Low: 3, at Charlotte (2/17)			
Isaiah Kearns	2	10	5.0
High: 8, at Nicholls (3/2)			
Low: 2, at Southeast Louisiana (3/8)			
Carter Camp	2	4	2.0
High: 4, vs. Ball State (2/26)			
Low: 0, at Tulane (3/4)			

Career Quality Starts

Player	2015	2016	2017	Total
BJ Myers	2	5	1	8
Conner Dotson	1	1	2	4
Michael Grove		3	0	3
Tanner Campbell		1		1
Shane Ennis	0			0
Braden Zarbnisky		0		0
Carter Camp			0	0
Isaiah Kearns			0	0

Career Record

Player	2015	2016	2017	Total
Conner Dotson	0-4	7-4	3-0	10-8
BJ Myers	2-5	5-3	1-1	8-9
Braden Zarbnisky		4-0	1-0	5-0
Michael Grove		2-4	0-1	2-5
Tanner Campbell		2-1		2-1
Isaiah Kearns			2-0	2-0
Shane Ennis	1-3	0-0	0-0	1-3
Carter Camp			0-1	0-1
Jackson Sigman	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-1
Jacob Potock		0-0	0-1	0-1
Sam Kessler			0-0	0-0
Alek Manoah			0-0	0-0
Ryan McDonald			0-0	0-0
Endy Morales		0-0		0-0
Kade Strowd			0-0	0-0
Riley Troutt			0-0	0-0

Career Saves

Player	2015	2016	2017	Total
Conner Dotson	1	1	0	2
Michael Grove		1	0	1
Alek Manoah			1	1
Jacob Potock		0	1	1

Starter Game-By-Game

Pitcher	Date	Opponent	Dec.	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	Score	Final
BJ Myers	2/17	at Charlotte	L	6.1	6	4	4	0	3	70	L, 3-2	L, 6-3
Michael Grove	2/18	at Charlotte	L	4.0	6	4	4	2	4	73	L, 4-0	L, 13-2
Conner Dotson	2/19	at Charlotte	W [^]	6.0	7	1	1	1	0	78	W, 4-0	W, 6-3
BJ Myers	2/24	vs. George Mason #	W [^]	7.0	4	1	1	1	7	92	W, 5-1	W, 5-3
Michael Grove	2/25	at Coastal Carolina #	W	3.0	3	4	4	3	3	64	L, 4-3	W, 22-9
Carter Camp	2/26	vs. Ball State #	ND	5.0	2	1	1	0	7	64	L, 1-0	W, 4-1
Conner Dotson	2/27	at Coastal Carolina #	W [^]	6.0	6	1	1	5	10	104	W, 4-1	W, 4-1
Isaiah Kearns	3/2	at Nicholls	W	5.2	1	0	0	1	5	81	W, 7-0	W, 8-1
BJ Myers	3/3	at Tulane	ND	5.0	8	7	5	2	5	83	L, 7-0	L, 9-8
Carter Camp	3/4	at Tulane	L	1.0	1	3	3	5	3	46	L, 2-0	L, 6-0
Conner Dotson	3/5	at Tulane	W	5.0	4	4	4	4	7	92	W, 15-4	W, 18-5
Isaiah Kearns	3/8	at SE Louisiana	ND	4.1	3	2	2	3	2	83	L, 2-1	L, 4-2 (12)

* - Complete Game

[^] - Quality Start

- Caravelle Resort Tournament, Myrtle Beach, S.C.



ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	B/T	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	High School/Last School
29	Phillip Ahern	LHP	L/L	Fr.	6-1	180	Austin, Texas	Vandegrift HS
28	Cole Austin	INF	S/R	So.	6-1	185	Kennesaw, Ga.	Harrison HS
23	Kevin Brophy	INF	L/R	Fr.	6-3	215	Randolph, N.J.	Morristown Beard School
44	Carter Camp	RHP	R/R	Fr.	6-5	215	McKinney, Texas	McKinney North HS
22	Tanner Campbell	RHP	R/R	So.	6-1	170	DeLeon Springs, Fla.	Taylor HS
13	Jackson Cramer	1B	L/R	Sr.	6-4	230	Coppell, Texas	Coppell HS
5	Kyle Davis	INF/OF	R/R	Jr.	6-0	195	Cincinnati, Ohio	Cincinnati Hills Christian
37	Nick Denicola	C	R/R	Fr.	6-0	210	East Hanover, N.J.	Seton Hall Prep
10	Conner Dotson	RHP	R/R	Jr.	6-4	210	Flower Mound, Texas	Marcus HS
8	Shane Ennis	RHP	R/R	Jr.	6-2	200	Romney, W.Va.	Hampshire HS
3	Jimmy Galusky	INF	R/R	r-So.	6-3	185	Arthurdale, W.Va.	Preston HS
32	Ivan Gonzalez	C/3B	R/R	So.	5-9	190	Round Rock, Texas	Stony Point HS
9	Kyle Gray	INF	L/R	So.	5-10	175	Blanco, Texas	Blanco HS
2	Michael Grove	RHP	R/R	So.	6-3	200	Wheeling, W.Va.	Wheeling Park HS
31	Darius Hill	OF	L/L	So.	6-1	190	Dallas, Texas	Dallas Jesuit
24	Chase Illig	C	S/R	r-Fr.	6-0	210	Bluefield, W.Va.	College of Charleston
25	Marques Inman	1B	R/R	So.	6-1	215	Elyria, Ohio	Elyria HS
41	Isaiah Kearns	RHP/3B	R/R	Fr.	6-1	195	Lewistown, Pa.	Mifflin County
42	Sam Kessler	RHP	R/R	Fr.	6-1	192	Mount Sinai, N.Y.	Mount Sinai
27	Gibson Krzeminski	OF	S/R	Fr.	5-11	200	Tecumseh, Ontario	St. Anne
12	TJ Lake	OF	L/R	r-Fr.	6-1	185	Toledo, Ohio	St. John's Jesuit
47	Alek Manoah	RHP/1B	R/R	Fr.	6-6	260	Miami, Fla.	South Dade Sr.
16	Ryan McDonald	RHP	R/R	Fr.	6-7	215	Las Vegas, Nev.	West Ashley
30	Zach Miller	OF	R/R	Fr.	6-4	185	Lawrenceville, Ga.	Mountain View
15	Endy Morales	RHP	R/R	So.	6-0	218	Holyoke, Mass.	Suffield Academy
33	BJ Myers	RHP	R/R	Jr.	6-0	195	Flower Mound, Texas	Flower Mound HS
40	Jacob Potock	RHP	R/R	So.	6-5	250	Glenshaw, Pa.	Shaler Area HS
34	Jackson Sigman	RHP	R/R	Sr.	6-2	200	Austin, Texas	Glendale CC
43	Kade Strowd	RHP	R/R	Fr.	6-2	175	Fort Worth, Texas	Mansfield Legacy
6	Riley Troutt	RHP	R/R	Fr.	5-9	175	Bartow, Fla.	Bartow Sr. High
7	Frank Vesuvio	RHP/OF	R/R	Fr.	5-10	170	Armonk, N.Y.	Byram Hills
46	Brandon White	RHP/OF	R/R	Fr.	5-11	160	Winter Springs, Fla.	Winter Springs HS
4	Cody Wood	RHP	R/R	r-Fr.	6-3	195	Denver, Colo.	Cherry Creek HS
26	Braden Zarbnisky	RHP/OF	L/R	So.	6-3	185	Marietta, Ga.	Pope HS
45	Andrew Zitel	INF	R/R	So.	6-2	207	Hillsborough, N.J.	Hillsborough HS

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.
2	Michael Grove	RHP
3	Jimmy Galusky	INF
4	Cody Wood	RHP
5	Kyle Davis	INF
6	Riley Troutt	RHP
7	Frank Vesuvio	RHP/OF
8	Shane Ennis	RHP
9	Kyle Gray	INF
10	Conner Dotson	RHP
12	TJ Lake	OF
13	Jackson Cramer	1B
15	Endy Morales	RHP
16	Ryan McDonald	RHP
22	Tanner Campbell	RHP
23	Kevin Brophy	INF
24	Chase Illig	C
25	Marques Inman	1B
26	Braden Zarbnisky	RHP/OF
27	Gibson Krzeminski	OF
28	Cole Austin	INF
29	Phillip Ahern	LHP
30	Zach Miller	OF
31	Darius Hill	OF
32	Ivan Gonzalez	C/3B
33	BJ Myers	RHP
34	Jackson Sigman	RHP
37	Nick Denicola	C
40	Jacob Potock	RHP
41	Isaiah Kearns	RHP/3B
42	Sam Kessler	RHP
43	Kade Strowd	RHP
44	Carter Camp	RHP
45	Andrew Zitel	INF
46	Brandon White	RHP/OF
47	Alek Manoah	RHP/1B

COACHES AND STAFF

Head Coach: Randy Mazey (5th season)
Assistant Coach: Derek Matlock
Assistant Coach: Steve Sabins
Volunteer Assistant: Cody Atkinson
Strength Coach: Chris Dunaway
Director of Player Development: Ryan Tuntland
Athletic Trainer: Will Payne

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Shane **Ennis** ENN-iss
Jimmy **Galusky** guh-LOO-skee
Chase **Illig** Ill-ig
Marques Inman Marcus
Gibson **Krzeminski** Ker-min-ski
Randy **Mazey** may-Zee
Endy Morales End-ee More-al-us
Ivan Gonzalez I-ven
Braden **Zarbnisky** Zarb-nis-key
Andrew **Zitel** Zie-Tell

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

By Class	
Freshmen	17
Sophomores	12
Juniors	4
Seniors	2
By Position	
Catchers	3
Infielders	10
Outfielders	8
Right-Handed Pitchers	19
Left-Handed Pitchers	1
By State	
Texas	10
Florida, West Virginia	4
Georgia, New Jersey, Ohio	3
Pennsylvania, New York	2
Colorado, Massachusetts, Ontario, Canada, Nevada.	1