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Monthly Instructions: I DO expect to send out monthly instructions. Starting with April.
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Offense: This roster has more firepower than any recent Brob team. It also has the best bench in a long time. The plan is basically let the starters go through about 5 innings, then if the game is close, use the bench heavily to get several advantages. Generally by "close" I mean +/- 3 runs.

H\&R: I will use this often, but not as often as last season. I want an adjusted SSN of 27+. Do not H\&R if pitcher's control is -36 or worse. Has priority over steal Inn 1-7.
Runners: Score +3/-3: Acuna, Dyson
Score +2 to -2: Hernandez, Moncada, Soto Betts.
Batters: Betts, Hernandez, Narvaez, Dyson, Astudillo

Steal: Occasionally in late innings with score $+1 /-1$. Has priority over H\&R $8^{\text {th }}$ Inn+. Use Adams Tbls, or Adjusted SSN 30+. Only steal 2B. Runners: Same runners as for H\&R.

Sac: Rarely but it happens. Runners: 1B, 2B, or $1 B \& 2 B$. Batter overmatched, score $+1 /-1,7^{\text {th }} \operatorname{Inn}+$. Most often Hernandez vs high grades or a hitter vs a bad shift. Most often it will be clear. Please use judgement. 3rd priority.

PH: There are three good PHers on the roster, Nimmo, Hays, and Freese. All are PA limited \& have enough to PH. Shifts, especially for Nimmo and Hays, mean they can PH and improve most any hitter. They should be used with runners on in situations where they can change the game with a hit. Rarely before the $6^{\text {th }}$. Most often with tie/win runs on base/at bat, or I have a chance to blow a game open. Best when you can't counter well with a reliever, but sometimes we have no choice. Consider Nimmo's 14s when looking at him.

PR: Dyson is $1^{\text {st }}$ choice, either steal tie/lead runner to $2^{\text {nd }}$, OR if he'll come in for Soto defensively. In the Soto case Dyson will usually not PR for Soto but for an ave/slow runner (e.g.: Santana, Narvaez etc.) as a double switch. Nimmo is $2^{\text {nd }}$ choice $P R$.

Defense: This has the pieces to be a good defense. When I lead by 1-3 from mid $7^{\text {th }}$ on look for smart times to get a defensive lineup of:
C: Stallings
1B: They are all 3s
2B: Hernandez
SS: Correa
3B: Machado
OF: Dyson, Betts, Acuna

Depending who will hit when, they don't all come in at once. Machado often moves from SS to 3B if already in at SS. If it's a 1 run lead, Stallings is the most important move once you have any realistic SB threat on base.

Infield depth: Only play INF close in obvious situations. Typically $7^{\text {th }}+\operatorname{lnn}$., 0 o1 out, tie/winning run on $3^{\text {rd }}$.

Hold runners: I usually hold if the score is +/-3 runs \& the runner's adjusted SSN is $20+$.

Other defensive calls: Please use judgement and play as you would your team.
Pitching: See "Pitching" page.

## Cuts:

Carded: Beckham, Goins, Peterson
Uncarded: Oh, Pazos, Briceno, Mauer, Villanueva

Game Version: Boards. For Computer Mgrs: No need to send game sheets unless you think a particular game is noteworthy. Do not use micro managers-I trust your decision making more.

Brobdingnag 2020 Lineups

| vs RHP (All) |  |  | VL | vR | BC | PN |  | 14s | 31s | St | Sp | Ar | J | C | 1B | 2B | SS | 3B | OF |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 Acuna | RF | R | -2 | -1 | S0 | 116 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 31 | F18 | 33 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |
| 2 Betts | CF | R | -4 | 0 | S0 | 1000 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 32 | F18 | 35 | 1 |  |  | 5 |  |  | 3 |
| 3 Soto | LF | L | -5 | 0 | S3 | 1000 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 35 | F15 | 31 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| 4 Cruz | DH | R | 4 | -3 | S2 | 11000 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 14 | S 6 | 31 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| 5 Moncada | 3B | B | -4 | 0 | S0 | 1556 | 11 | 3 | 1 | 30 | F16 | 32 | 2 |  |  | 5 |  | 4 |  |
| 6 Santana | 1B | B | 2 | -3 | B0 | 1000 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 34 | 7 | 33 | 0 |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 7 Correa | SS | R | 2 | -2 | S1 | 1156 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 26 | F15 | 36 | 3 |  |  | 7 | 9 | 4 |  |
| 8 Hernandez | 2B | B | -5 | 0 | S0 | 000 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 31 | F15 | 31 | 0 |  |  | 8 | 7 | 4 |  |
| 9 Narvaez | C | L | -4 | -1 | S2 | 100 | 10 | 3 | 2 | N | S 6 | 32 | 2 | 7 |  | 5 |  |  |  |
| B Stallings |  | R | 10 | -5 | S4 | 16 | 10 | 2 | 2 | N | S 5 | 32 | 3 | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |
| E Machado |  | R | 11 | -5 | S4 | 155 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 25 | F15 | 35 | 1 |  |  | 6 | 8 | 5 |  |
| N Hays |  | R | -15 | 12 | S0 | 10000 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 31 | 11 | 31 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| C Nimmo |  | L | 12 | -5 | R0 | 166 | 7 | 6+ | 2 | 33 | F16 | 30 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| H Dyson |  | L | 3 | -2 | S0 | 00 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 34 | F19 | 28 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |
| Freese |  | R | -5 | 5 | S0 | 11000 | 9 | 5 | 2 | N | S 6 | 33 | 3 |  | 3 |  |  | 3 |  |


|  | LHP (Board |  |  | VL | VR | BC | PN | Ht |  | 31 s | St | Sp | Ar | J | C | 1B | 2B | SS | 3B | OF |
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| 1 | Acuna | RF | R | -2 | -1 | S0 | 116 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 31 | F18 | 33 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |
| 2 | Betts | CF | R | -4 | 0 | S0 | 1000 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 32 | F18 | 35 | 1 |  |  | 5 |  |  | 3 |
| 3 | Santana | 1B | B | 2 | -3 | B0 | 1000 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 34 | 7 | 33 | 0 |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | Cruz | DH | R | 4 | -3 | S2 | 11000 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 14 | S 6 | 31 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| 5 | Soto | LF | L | -5 | 0 | S3 | 1000 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 35 | F15 | 31 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| 6 | Machado | SS | R | 11 | -5 | S4 | 155 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 25 | F15 | 35 | 1 |  |  | 6 | 8 | 5 |  |
| 7 | Moncada | 3B | B | -4 | 0 | S0 | 1556 | 11 | 3 | 1 | 30 | F16 | 32 | 2 |  |  | 5 |  | 4 |  |
| 8 | Stallings | C | R | 10 | -5 | S4 | 16 | 10 | 2 | 2 | N | S 5 | 32 | 3 | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | Hernandez | 2B | B | -5 | 0 | S0 | 000 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 31 | F15 | 31 | 0 |  |  | 8 | 7 | 4 |  |
| B | Correa |  | R | 2 | -2 | S1 | 1156 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 26 | F15 | 36 | 3 |  |  | 7 | 9 | 4 |  |
| E | Narvaez |  | L | -4 | -1 | S2 | 100 | 10 | 3 | 2 | N | S 6 | 32 | 2 | 7 |  | 5 |  |  |  |
| N | Hays |  | R | -15 | 12 | S0 | 10000 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 31 | 11 | 31 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| C | Nimmo |  | L | 12 | -5 | R0 | 166 | 7 | 6+ | 2 | 33 | F16 | 30 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| H | Dyson |  | L | 3 | -2 | S0 | 00 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 34 | F19 | 28 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |
|  | Freese |  | R | -5 | 5 | S0 | 11000 | 9 | 5 | 2 | N | S 6 | 33 | 3 |  | 3 |  |  | 3 |  |


|  | HP (Comp | er) |  | VL | vR | BC | PN |  |  |  | St | Sp |  | J | C | 1B | 2 B | SS | 3B | OF |
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| 1 | Acuna | RF | R | -2 | -1 | S0 | 116 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 31 | F18 | 33 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |
| 2 | Betts | CF | R | -4 | 0 | S0 | 1000 | 10 | 5 | 2 | 32 | F18 | 35 | 1 |  |  | 5 |  |  | 3 |
| 3 | Moncada | 3B | B | -4 | 0 | S0 | 1556 | 11 | 3 | 1 | 30 | F16 | 32 | 2 |  |  | 5 |  | 4 |  |
| 4 | Cruz | DH | R | 4 | -3 | S2 | 11000 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 14 | S 6 | 31 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| 5 | Santana | 1B | B | 2 | -3 | B0 | 1000 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 34 | 7 | 33 | 0 |  | 3 |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | Soto | LF | L | -5 | 0 | S3 | 1000 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 35 | F15 | 31 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| 7 | Machado | SS | R | 11 | -5 | S4 | 155 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 25 | F15 | 35 | 1 |  |  | 6 | 8 | 5 |  |
| 8 | Hernandez | 2B | B | -5 | 0 | S0 | 000 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 31 | F15 | 31 | 0 |  |  | 8 | 7 | 4 |  |
| 9 | Narvaez | C | L | -4 | -1 | S2 | 100 | 10 | 3 | 2 | N | S 6 | 32 | 2 | 7 |  | 5 |  |  |  |
| B | Correa |  | R | 2 | -2 | S1 | 1156 | 10 | 3 | 2 | 26 | F15 | 36 | 3 |  |  | 7 | 9 | 4 |  |
| E | Stallings |  | R | 10 | -5 | S4 | 16 | 10 | 2 | 2 | N | S 5 | 32 | 3 | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |
| N | Hays |  | R | -15 | 12 | S0 | 10000 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 31 | 11 | 31 | 4 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| C | Nimmo |  | L | 12 | -5 | R0 | 166 | 7 | 6+ | 2 | 33 | F16 | 30 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |
| H | Dyson |  | L | 3 | -2 | S0 | 00 | 8 | 4 | 2 | 34 | F19 | 28 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  | 3 |
|  | Freese |  | R | -5 | 5 | S0 | 11000 | 9 | 5 | 2 | N | S 6 | 33 | 3 |  | 3 |  |  | 3 |  |

NOTE: In May \& October, Freese is the DH, batting 4th in place of Cruz.

| Player | Limit | Starting Role \& When to Remove | Bench Use |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CRUZ | Gms | Starting DH. Remove for PR if a critical run 8th Inn+. | None |
| FREESE | PA | Starts some games at 3B vs RHP, \& DH. | PH vs RHP in important situations. |
| SOTO | Gms | When active he will be the starting LF. Remove for D if I lead after top of 9th+. |  |
| HAYS | PA | Almost never will play the field; PH only. | PH in important situations vs RHP |
| CORREA | PA | Starts at SS vs RHP. Almost never leaves. | Def SS if I'm up 1-4 runs after mid 7th+ |
| BETTS | Gms | Starts in CF. Almost never comes out. | None |
| MONCADA | Gms | Starts in 3B. Remone for Machado for D after I bat, 7 th+, and I lead by 1-4 runs. | None. |
| SANTANA | Gms | Starting 1B. PR for him, critical run 8th Inn+ | None |
| ACUNA | Gms | Starts in RF. Almost never comes out. | None |
| NARVAEZ | PA | Starts most games at C. Remove for D if I lead by 1-3 runs, 7th+ Inn. PH for (6th Inn+) or PR (7th Inn+) in important situations. | If on the bench, available for use as PH (for Stallings vs RH if I trail) or to catch is Stallings has come out. |
| MACHADO | Gms | tarts some games at SS and 3B vs LHP. May need to be PH for if you bring in a RHP and important runs are on base. | PH vs LHP. Def SS sub if I lead by 1-4 runs bottom 7th+ (if he was already at SS, he moves to 3B \& Correa to SS) |
| NIMMO | PA | Will start a few games vs LHP. Remove vs most RHP with control if I trail. | PH vs LHP. PR for speed, not SB. |
| HERNANDEZ | Gms | Starts at 2B. PH for, 8th Inn+ \& I trail 1-3. | None. |
| STALLINGS | PA | Will start vs a few LHP. | Def sub at C if I trail by 1-3 runs after middle of the 6th Inn+. |
| ASTUDILLO | PA | In minors until Nov. | Allows other moves to be made. |
| DYSON | PA | Bench player. | PR for H\&R or steals. Def LF |
| RODGERS | PA | Bench player. | Can't think of any. |
| CERVELLI | N/A | No Card | None. |

## Definitions ( guidelines--consider the flow of the game, pitcher you have in the game, etc.)

Important Generally sometime from the 5th inning on where the game is within 3 runs and you have put me in an unfavorable pitcher matchup and I have runners on base.

Critical A situation where the game clearly is in the balance--usually but not always 8th Inn+. Typically the the tying/winning run is on base/at bat.

NOTE: I think I have ample Gm/PAs for the above to work all season. Biggest question is
Austin Hays. Be reasonably aggressive the first couple months \& then I will assess changes.

In the Minors
APR: Astudillo, Rodgers, Cervelli, Kimbrell, Middleton, Stakek, Glasnow,Gallegos,McHugh, Osuna MAY: Astudillo, Rodgers, Cervelli, Kimbrell, Middleton, Cruz, Stakek, Gallegos,McHugh, Osuna JUN: Astudillo, Rodgers, Cervelli, Kimbrell, Middleton, Stanek, Buehler, Harris, Oberg, Sadler
JUL: Astudillo, Rodgers, Cervelli, Kimbrell, Middleton, Dyson, Glasnow, Harris, McHugh, Sadler
AUG: Astudillo, Rodgers, Cervelli, Kimbrell, Middleton, Glasnow, Woodruff, Gallegos, Oberg, Osuna
SEP: Astudillo, Rodgers, Cervelli, Kimbrell, Middleton, Hays, Woodruff, Harris, McHugh, Sadler
OCT: Astudillo, Rodgers, Cervelli, Kimbrell, Middleton, Cruz, Glasnow, Harris, Oberg, Sadler

Brobdingnag 2020 Rotation

| A | H | KNX | Sb | B | V | W | X |  |
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| P | H | HOB | Sb | B | V | X |  |  |
| R | H | MID | W | Sb | B | X |  |  |
|  | A | RIV | V | W | Sb | B | X |  |
| 19 | A | GC | V | W | Sb | B | V | X |
| M | H | WHI | W | Sb | B | V | G |  |
| A | H | MAR | W | Sb | B | V | X |  |
| Y | A | COL | W | Sb | B | V |  |  |
|  | A | HUD | G | W | Sb | B | X |  |
| 21 | A | IND | V | W | Sb | B |  |  |
| J | A | HOB | V | G | W | Sb | X |  |
| U | A | MID | V | G | W |  |  |  |
| N | A | KNX | Sb | V | Mc |  |  |  |
|  | H | STM | G | W | Sb | V | Mc | X |
| 19 | H | NW | G | Sb | W | V |  |  |
| 19 | A | RYE | Sk | B | Sb | W | Sk |  |
| U | H | ZIO | V | B | Sb | Sk | X |  |
| L | H | NBO | W | B | Sk | Sb |  |  |
|  | H | MLR | V | W | Sk | B |  |  |
| 21 | A | BH | Sb | V | Sk | W | X |  |
| A | A | KAN | V | B | Sb | Sk |  |  |
| U | A | DET | V | Sk | B | Sb | X |  |
|  | A | MUN | V | Sk | B | Sb |  |  |
|  | H | WAR | V | Mc | Sk | B |  |  |
| 20 | H | LV | Sb | V | Sd | Sk | X |  |
|  | H | KNX | X | X | Sk | Sb | B |  |
| S | H | HOB | V | Sk | G | Sb |  |  |
|  | H | MID | B | Sk | V | G |  |  |
|  | A | WHI | Sb | Sk | B | V | X |  |
| 20 | A | MAR | Sk | G | B | V | Sk |  |
|  | H | RYE | W | Sb | V | Sk |  |  |
| 0 | H | BH | B | W | Sb | Sk | V |  |
|  | H | CAY | B | W | Sb | Sk | X |  |
|  | A | NW | B | W | Sb | Sk | V |  |
| 22 | A | STM | B | W | Sb | Sk |  |  |
| N0 | H | RIV | X | V | G | Sk | B | V |
|  | H | GC | Sb | Sk | G | V |  |  |
|  | A | HOB | B | Sk | Sb | X |  |  |
|  | A | MID | V | Sk | B | G |  |  |
| 20 | A | KNX | V | Sk | Sb | B | X |  |


| V | Verlander | 34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sk | Stanek | 27 |
| G | Glasnow | 12 |
| Sb | Strasburg | 33 |
| B | Buehler | 30 |
| W | Woodruff | 22 |
| Sd | Sadler | 1 |
| Mc | McHugh | 3 |
| X | Off day | 162 |

Starters: These guys are good BUT when they have a bad outing they come out! We are shooting for the Rochester win record and should get close but please apply judgement with my pitchers. Below are general guidelines but I trust your judgement

Verlander Glasnow Stanek generally pitch until fatigued but relieve them late if you are mounting a rally that threatens the win.
--If either team leads by 5+ they can go until a second fatigue This is a tough call but don't let Stanek's -41 BB lose a game late. Likewise with runners on late, don't let Verlander give up a late HR to turn a win into a loss (it's OK if the HR cuts a 6 run lead to 3 , I care about wins not ERAs). Glasnow has no such obvious concerns.

Strasburg Buehler \& Woodruff are good \& peripherals help. They will often get enough run support to pitch to fatigue BUT on the days they get into a jam any time from the 4th on, they can be relieved if the pen has a better chance to kill your rally. We have 500+ innings \& starters will go deep often enough so there's enough relief. Apply aggressive hook. Kill the rally, don't worry who gets the save.

## Special situationsin June and August

--McHugh makes a road start vs KNX in June. Pull him at the first sign of a KNX threat from the 2nd inning on unless it's a big lead. --Stanek has ONE start that needs a special cavet. Vs KAN in Aug he has a hard limit of 4.7 innings in that start. ONLY THAT START.

Relievers: We will have 6 relievers each month. Each is actually two guys for IP purposes. Judgement is key and I respect your decisions.

Harris/Gallegos is the closer with 134 IP. Use like Andrew Miller to either kill the game turning rally, or in a late closer role. He can come in to kill an 8th inning threat and stay for the 9th.

Osuna/Sadler is the set-up man with 111 IP. He also can close if Harris/Gallegos is not available.

Oberg/McHugh is middle man with 130 IP . He is higher grade than Osuna/Sadler, but neg BB so I prefer to use him in lower leverage situations. One of the others will often kill a rally, then Oberg/McHugh starts the next inning. But they're still a grade $18 / 17$ so they a good.

Yarborough is versitile. He is the vallet for any starter who has to leave early. He is the guy to attack your cluster of neg shifts vs LHP. He has 141 IP by himself, and I expect he will get into 80+ games.

Perez is a good Gd $10^{*}$ who should get 60+ games out of his 40 RIP. The surgeon vs negative LH shift batter you likely won't remove.

Guerra/Kimbrel/Stanek (when in relief) have a clear role. Their sole job: to save innings for everyone else. Most their use will be when I'm down 6+, or my starter is gone and I am up 6+. Occasionally they will be Last-Man-Standing in extra innings. Hopefully they don't pitch much.

Once the starter is gone, use a tag team of relievers for short stints instead of 1 or 2 for several innings (Yarborough is the exception) It's OK for 1 or 2 RPers to go 3 days in a row to win a game now.

