



2022 Kansas Koyotes

GM: Bill Schwartz (15th season)

Minor League Affiliates: AAA - Wichita Wranglers, AA - Topeka Capitals, A - Rapid City Chiefs, Rookie - Winner Pheasants
Coaching Staff: Manager- Casey Stengel, Bench Coach – Yogi Berra, Pitching Coach- Whitey Ford, Bullpen coach: Elston Howard,
 Hitting Coach- Don Mattingly, 1st Base Coach- Mickey Mantle, 3rd Base Coach – Willie Randolph

Kansas pre-season cuts: Uncarded: J. Smoak, M. Mathias, J. Hernandez. **XC's:** R. McBroom, N. Nelson, N. Ramirez, L. Avilan. **Carded:** A. Knapp, I. Vargas, W. Davis

Waiver Wire: TBA

Game Type: All Kansas home games will be played “the way that God intended it” with the boards and dice.

Emergency Lineups:

VS.	LHP (comp)	VS.	RHP (comp)	VS.	LHP (board)	VS.	RHP (board)
1.	Segura – 2b-8	Same as boards		1.	Segura – 2b-8	1.	Segura – 2b-8
2.	C. Taylor – ss-8			2.	C. Taylor – ss-8	2.	K. Hernandez – cf-3
3.	K. Hernandez –cf-3			3.	K. Hernandez –cf-3	3.	J. Walsh – 1b-4
4.	Springer – rf-3			4.	Springer – rf-3	4.	A. Garcia– lf-2
5.	A. Garcia – dh			5.	A. Garcia – dh	5.	Brown – rf-2
6.	T. Taylor – lf-2			6.	J. Rojas – 3b-4	6.	Y. Chang– 3b-4
7.	J. Rojas – 3b-4			7.	T. Taylor – lf-2	7.	C. Taylor – ss-8
8.	Gomes – c-8			8.	Gomes – c-8	8.	M. Moustakas – dh
9.	Valaika – 1b-3			9.	Valaika – 1b-3	9.	F. Mejia – c-7

Notes: I will contact road managers by e-mail each month to give individualized lineups or the go-ahead to use the above lineups. **Very seldom will these lineups be used, though.** The chart showing those in the minors each month is included on the roster sheet, but no doubt will be revised, especially later in the year. Please contact me if you'd like to start early and I'll try to accommodate. **Computer managers, do not use any automatic managers.**

Defensive Replacements:

Defense is not bad this year, so the only replacement will be **Tauchman** for **Garcia** or **T. Taylor** in 8th or later if he is on bench and Koyotes lead by 3 or less unless the hitter being replaced is due up in the first 4 batters in the 9th.

Offense:

Pinch Hit: None

Pinch Run: No PR

Steal Attempts: Segura, C. Taylor & Garcia are the SB threats and their SBA's will be handled by the monthly instructions.

Hit & Run: H&R with 0 or 1 out, **Gomes** at bat, **Rojas** or **T. Taylor** on first.

Sacrifice: VERY RARE. NEVER SQUEEZE!

Offensive Runner Advancement:

Board Game: Consult Adams Table.

Computer Game: Play it as you would your own team, as I don't know anything about the computer game (and intend to keep it that way). Be conservative going for third, more aggressive going home, especially with two outs. General Rule: be aggressive with Fast runners and conservative with Slow runners.

Send Runner on Third: With infield in, hold runner if combined 2b/3b/ss fielding rating >18. Any lesser combination, or runners on first and third, Go Go Go!

Outfield Throws: Make all throws <34 chances. Otherwise hold trailing runners. Throw for trailing runners attempting advancement if lead runner is not tie/lead run and trailer is 10+ chances lower.

Computer Game: Make all throws. If you try to advance a trailing runner along with a runner "well around third" cut the throw home and go for the trailer.

Hold Runner on First: Only hold runner if adjusted SSN >27 and game is +1/-1. Otherwise let 'em roam.

Intentional Walk: Only in extra innings and game tied, first base open, one out, to set up DP, lesser hitter due up.

Pitch from Stretch: Only pitch from stretch if 2 outs, 8th inning on, tying or winning runner on third base has an adjusted SSN > 9.

Infield In/Deep: Never play in with two outs or before the 7th inning. Only play infield in if the tying/winning run is on third base, 7th inning on and less than two outs. If the double play is a possibility to end the inning, always play deep.

For computer managers, when in doubt about any of these computer instructions, play it as you would your own team - I'm admittedly ignorant about the computer game (and intend to stay that way!)

Player Usage:

C: Platoon situation with **Yan Gomes** (103 g. of C-8, +2) starting vs.all LHP's and selected RHP's with **Francisco Mejia** (84 g. of C-7, -1) there for the remaining games. 187 combined g., will allow for some PR'ing.

1B: **Jared Walsh** (1B-4) will supply 144 g. of quality 1B (1-5-5-6), with powder puff hitter, **Pat Valaika**, providing the other 18.

2B: **Jean Segura** will use his 131 g. as a 2B-8 with **Kike Hernandez** (2B-8) providing the other 31.

SS: **Chris Taylor**, with his multi-position card will probably play all of his 148 games at SS with **Valaika** starting the remaining 14.

3B: **Yu Chang** (89 g.) and **Jose Rojas** (61 g.) were drafted to operate as a platoon 3B-4 with injury-plagued **Mike Moustakas** (3B-3) providing the additional 12 games.

OF: Lots of mixing and matching. **George Springer** (OF-3) will be the best of the lot, but only has 78 games. Second round draft choice **Adolis Garcia** will use 130 of his games there and third round draftee, **Seth Brown**, will supply 111 games of 1-1-5-6 power. **Hernandez's** OF-3 will contribute 103 games when not playing 2B. **Jose Rondon**, limited by 90 PA, and **Michael Tauchman** (OF-3) will fill out the 486 games needed. At least there are no OF-1's....

DH: Handled by a committee with **Tyrone Taylor** the chief player (93 g.), but also including **Moustakas** (50 g.) and **Adolis Garcia's** leftover games (19) from the OF.

Pitching:

General Philosophy: Decent top of the rotation with 90 starts of grade 10+, but with a very mediocre remainder, No closer grade (no one above grade 15), so closing will be by committee. Only 288 RIP of grade 13+, so could be a long year!.

The general rule will be to allow the starters to go till fatigued. No starter should pitch more than 11.2 innings. Don't remove any starting pitcher if he's pitching a shutout before that.

Bullpen: Injuries laid waste to last year's pen, so no less than 5 relievers were drafted. The problem is that none of them have a grade above 13 and three of them have limited innings. With 70 mediocre starts, management of the bullpen will be crucial. Seven of the huge pool of 13 relievers will usually be on the active roster. The roster will be managed so that regardless of individual allowable RIP's, all will be used equally in any particular month as need be.

Starter Bio's:

Javier – 9 starts of a premium, but wild (CTL-52) grade 20.

Scherzer – The ace with 30 gr. 16 starts. Should go fairly deep in most starts, although his fatigue number is only 23.

Civale – 21 starts of a quality grade 11.

Kopech – 4 September spot starts from a quality grade 13 – primarily a reliever, so with a low fatigue number to match.

Swanson – 2 grade 13 November “opener” (fatigue rating of 8) starts.

S. Gray – 26 starts of another adequate grade 10.

Brett Anderson – then come the inadequate ones, 24 starts of marginal to mediocre grade 6 efforts.

Smyly – 22 more starts of a fire-starting grade 6 with HRA-32.

Keuchel – 24 starts from the lowest grade starter (3) that the Koyotes have ever sent to the mound.

Bullpen Bio's:

Javier: A wild grade 15 RH part of the closer committee when not starting.

Shreve: Another wild grade 15 LH alternate on the closer committee - mix and match depending on the situation.

Kopech: Possibly the leader of the closer committee with his positive peripherals and 69.3 RIP.

Funkhouser: After Kopech, the closest thing to a workhorse with his 68.3 grade 13 RIP.

Swanson: Will make two November starts, but will have 30.3 grade 13 RIP with decent peripherals.

McGowin: Another grade 13 with limited innings (30)

Hand, Garcia, O'Day: 163 RIP of a group of an 11 and two 10's to be used to get through the middle innings.

Smyly: Should have a few innings of grade 6 for use after his 22 starts to insert where rest requirements make it possible.

Sanchez: 26 innings of grade 8 – to be used early if starter is bombed.

Keller: 33.3 RIP of mopup grade 6 with very bad peripherals

Montero: 49.3 mediocre RIP of grade 1 to be used only as a last resort.

Severino: An xc who will be spend the season on the bench, considered a no card.

These are only general bios. Monthly instructions will always give more definitive guidelines for usage. Similar grades are basically interchangeable. Only two (Shreve and Hand) are LH, but pay attention to the LH/RH matchups and times when the bad peripherals are more problematic.

Pitching Rotation:

April	vs.	Pitchers	May	vs.	Pitchers	June	vs.	Pitchers
1-4 (5)	@ LV	Ke, Sc, Sm, A	1-5	@ COL	G, Ke, Sc, J, Sm	1-4 (5)	MLR	A, C, Sc, G
6-8 (9)	@ MLR	Ke, Sc, Sm	6-9 (10)	@ CAY	G, Ke, Sc, J	6-8	IND	A, C, Sc
10-13	@ IND	A, Ke, Sc, C	11-14	KNOX	G, Ke, Sc, J	9-11	LV	G, Ke, A
14-17 (18)	RCK	Sm, A, Ke, Sc	15-18 (19)	MAR	Sm, G, Ke, Sc	12-16 (17)	@ HUD	C, Sc, G, Ke,
19-23	WAR	Sm, A, Ke, Sc, C	20-23	MID	J, G, Ke, Sm	18-21	@ NBO	Sc, G, Ke, A
July	vs.	Pitchers	August	vs.	Pitchers	September	vs.	Pitchers
1-5	ZIO	J, Sc, G, C, A	1-4	HOB	G, A, C, Sc	(1,2) 3-5	@ LV	Ke, Ko, A
6-9 (10)	@ WHT	J, Sc, G, C	5-8 (9)	NW	Sm, G, A, C	6-9	@ MLR	Sc, Sm, Ke, K
11-14	@ RYE	J, Sc, G, C	10-13	HUD	Sc, G, A, C	10-12(13)	@ IND	A, Sc, Sm
15-18	@ STM	A, J, Sc, G	14-17	@ BH	Sm, Sc, G, A	14-17	COL	Ko, A, Sc, Sn
19-22 (23)	MUN	C, A, J, Sc	18-21(22)	@ GC	C, Sm, Sc, G	18-22(23)	CAY	Ke, Ko, A, Sc, S
October	vs.	Pitchers	November	vs.	Pitchers			
1-4*(5)	NBO	Ke, C, G, Sm, A	(1) 2-6	@ RCK	Sw, Ke, C, Sc, G			
6-9	BRO	Ke, C, G, Sm	7-10	@ WAR	Sm, Ke, C, Sc			
10-13(14)	@ RIV	A, Ke, C, G	11-13 (14)	MLR	G, Sm, Sw			
15-18	@ ZIO	Sm, Ke, C, G	15-18	IND	Ke, G, Sc, A			
19-23(24)	@ MUN	A, Sm, Ke, C, G	19-22 (23)	LV	C, Sm, Sw, Sc			
*DH								

A – Anderson, C – Civale, G – Gray, J – Javier, Ke – Keuchel, Ko – Kopech, Sc – Scherzer, Sm – Smyly, Sw – Swanson

Summary: In 2021, the Koyotes, picked to win 77 games and privately hoping for a +.500 year, again overachieved and won 91 games and made the playoffs as a wildcard team. Management felt like it was a very successful season. This year's version has no similar expectations. A .500 season would be considered a huge success. But once again with an ever-optimistic attitude and never in the "tear down" mode, we will once again try to milk out as many wins as possible.

The defense is decent, though not excellent. **Jared Walsh** received a 1B-4, **Segura** and **Hernandez** are 2B-8's, **Taylor** is a SS-8, **Chang** and **Rojas** are 3B-4's. **Gomes** received a C-8 and +2 arm. And **Springer, Hernandez & Tauchman** will provide 223 games of OF-3.

The draft filled several holes - (**Rojas** and **Chang at 3B**, grade 13 reliever (**Kopech**) with 4 starts, who is expected to be a mainstay in the rotation in the future, 213 RIP, and a couple of quality OF-2's in **Garcia** and **Brown**.

One of the biggest fears is the possibility of an overworked pen and inadequate relief innings due to 70 starts of grade 6 and below and a draft that was short on high grade relief when the Koyotes got around to drafting relief.

Have a Fun Season!

NOTE: Please provide **scoresheets from road board games** and **box scores and play by play files from computer games** (scanned and attached to an e-mail will be fine). I have a lot of fun following the play of the game and that is impossible with only the box score. I also keep GWH's and GWR's in my personal stats, and they are usually impossible to identify without the scoresheets or computer play by play file. Thanks.

If you have any questions, use your best baseball judgment and do whatever gives Kansas the best chance at a win. We are looking to have fun, even though anything resembling a .500 season will be considered a success.

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Rotation

WEEK	OPPONENT	Keuchel	Scherzer	Smyly	Anderson	Off
Apr. 1-4	at Las Vegas	Keuchel	Scherzer	Smyly	Anderson	Off
Apr. 6-8	at Melrose	Keuchel	Scherzer	Smyly	Off	
Apr. 10-13	at Calusa	Anderson	Keuchel	Scherzer	Civale	
Apr. 14-17	Rocky Mountain	Smyly	Anderson	Keuchel	Scherzer	Off
Apr. 19-23	Warrenton	Smyly	Anderson	Keuchel	Scherzer	Civale Off
May 1-5	at Columbus	Gray	Keuchel	Scherzer	Javier	Smyly
May 6-9	at Grand Cayman	Gray	Keuchel	Scherzer	Javier	Off
May 11-14	Knoxville	Gray	Keuchel	Scherzer	Javier	
May 15-18	Maracaibo	Smyly	Gray	Keuchel	Scherzer	Off
May 20-23	Midwest	Javier	Gray	Keuchel	Smyly	
June 1-4	Melrose	Anderson	Civale	Scherzer	Gray	Off
June 6-8	Calusa	Anderson	Civale	Scherzer		
June 9-11	Las Vegas	Gray	Keuchel	Anderson		
June 12-16	at Hudson	Civale	Scherzer	Gray	Keuchel	Anderson Off
June 18-21	at Northboro	Scherzer	Gray	Keuchel	Anderson	
July 1-5	Zion	Javier	Scherzer	Gray	Civale	Anderson
July 6-9	at Whitman	Javier	Scherzer	Gray	Civale	Off
July 11-14	at Rye	Javier	Scherzer	Gray	Civale	
July 15-18	at Strong City	Anderson	Javier	Scherzer	Gray	
July 19-22	Munich	Civale	Anderson	Javier	Scherzer	Off
August 1-4	Hoboken	Gray	Anderson	Civale	Scherzer	
August 5-8	New West	Smyly	Gray	Anderson	Civale	Off
August 10-13	Hudson	Scherzer	Gray	Anderson	Civale	
August 14-17	at Blue Hill	Smyly	Scherzer	Gray	Anderson	
August 18-21	at Gotham City	Civale	Smyly	Scherzer	Gray	Off Off
Sept. 3-5	at Las Vegas	Keuchel	Kopech	Anderson		
Sept. 6-9	at Melrose	Scherzer	Smyly	Keuchel	Kopech	
Sept. 10-12	at Calusa	Anderson	Scherzer	Smyly	Off	
Sept. 14-17	Columbus	Kopech	Anderson	Scherzer	Smyly	
Sept. 18-22	Grand Cayman	Keuchel	Kopech	Anderson	Scherzer	Smyly Off
Oct. 1-4*	Northboro	Keuchel	Civale	Gray	Smyly	Anderson Off
Oct. 6-9	Brobdingnag	Keuchel	Civale	Gray	Smyly	
Oct. 10-13	at Riverwoolf	Anderson	Keuchel	Civale	Gray	Off
Oct. 15-18	at Zion	Smyly	Keuchel	Civale	Gray	
Oct. 19-23	at Munich	Anderson	Smyly	Keuchel	Civale	Gray Off
Nov. 2-6	at Rocky Mountain	Smyly	Keuchel	Civale	Scherzer	Gray
Nov. 7-10	at Warrenton	Smyly	Keuchel	Civale	Scherzer	
Nov. 11-13	Melrose	Gray	Smyly	Swanson	Off	
Nov. 15-18	Calusa	Keuchel	Gray	Scherzer	Anderson	
Nov. 19-22	Las Vegas	Civale	Smyly	Swanson	Scherzer	Off

Minors:

20 Smyly

Smyly can relieve in g. 1-2, Javier can relieve in g. 1
Anderson, Civale

21 Smyly can relieve in g. 1-2

Smyly can relieve in g. 1
Keuchel can relieve in g. 4
Keuchel can relieve in g. 1-2

19 Smyly

21 Smyly, Keuchel

Smyly can relieve in g. 1-2
Keuchel

20 Smyly can relieve in g. 1-2

Smyly can relieve in g. 1-2

19 Gray, Civale

Keuchel can relieve in g. 1-2

22 Scherzer

20

Keuchel can relieve in g. 2-4

* DH on Oct. 4

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9	20(-52)(-14)	Javier	9	0
30	16(32)(-11)	Scherzer	30	0
4	13(11)(12)	Kopech	4	0
2	13(23)(-11)	Swanson	2	0
21	11(23)(-25)	Civale	21	0
26	10(-11)(-11)	Gray	26	0
23	6(16)(-32)	Smyly	22	1
24	6(21)(16)	Anderson	24	0
30	3(-11)(-11)	Keuchel	24	6
169			162	1