



## Offense:



### Usage-

<b>Logan Forsythe-</b>	Super sub will make majority of starts at 2B and cover games all over the field
<b>Ian Happ-</b>	Will cover games at 2B and OF. Do not use off the bench
<b>Matt Olson 1B-</b>	Makes 23 starts at 1B and the remaining 36 will be at DH. Do no use off the Bench
<b>Marcus Semien SS-</b>	Backup for games at SS/3B. 47 of 88 games will be used at starts
<b>Stephen Vogt C/DH-</b>	Backup Catcher and part time DH. Can be used as PH
<b>Chris Young-</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> OF. Starting CF in April. Will help cover games
<b>Jorge Alfaro C-</b>	Third Catcher. When up can be used as PH
<b>Adrian Gonzalez 1B-</b>	When up defensive replacement and PH

### Emergency Lineups (Lineups will be sent each month)

#### Lineups vs All:

<b>2B8</b>	<b>Forsythe</b>
<b>3B5</b>	<b>Rendon</b>
<b>CF2</b>	<b>Conforto (April Young starts)</b>
<b>DH</b>	<b>JD Martinez</b>
<b>1B3</b>	<b>Gurriel</b>
<b>RF2</b>	<b>Mazara</b>
<b>SS9</b>	<b>Iglesias</b>
<b>C9</b>	<b>Hedges</b>
<b>LF3</b>	<b>Gordon</b>



### Pinch Hitting:

1. **Only Vogt, Alfaro and Gonzalez can PH**
2. Look to PH for a weak batter 7<sup>th</sup> inning or later tying/winning runner in scoring position
3. Please make sure there is a defensive replacement available

### Pinch Running:

1. There will be some fast guys on the bench can PR for a slow runner when tying or winning run in scoring position 9<sup>th</sup> or later.

**Stealing:** Stealing takes priority over Hit & Run. Steals are limited this year so use judiciously.

1. Look to steal 7<sup>th</sup> inning on score +1 to -2
2. SSN >= 25
3. **Gordon, Happ, Semien, Iglesias** *Max 1 / series.*

**Hit and Run:** I like the hit and run.

1. Eligible batters when SSN >= 24
2. If pitcher is a W do not Hit and Run
3. 2 outs Hit and Run any eligible batter
4. Against grades >12 I tend to H&R more often

### Sacrifice:

1. With <1 outs sacrifice with any weak batter 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> inn to move the tying or winning run over
2. Never Sac if H&R in order
3. Never Squeeze! Never!

### Runner Advancement: BE Aggressive!!

**Boards:** Use Adams table

**Computer:** *Go when runner is well around bag*  
2 out F runner on second send them home  
2 out F runner on third send them home  
F runner on third <2 out on Fly Ball arm <=30 send runner

## Defense:

### Substitutions:

- **Gonzalez 1B, Hedges C**

**Replacement/Injuries:** Use first available, when on active roster

3B- Semien/Forsythe      SS-Semien/Forsythe      2B-Semien/Gurriel  
1B-Gonzalez/Alfaro/Forsythe      Outfield-Vogt/Happ/Olson      C-Hedges/Vogt/Alfaro



### Infield:

1. <2 out tying or winning run on third 7<sup>th</sup> inn or later infield should play in. Infield plays back all other times.
2. Always hold runner on 1<sup>st</sup> adjusted SSN > 14. Don't hold N's
3. Pitch from stretch if runner on third is eligible to steal home SSN >15 7<sup>th</sup> or later

## Pitching:

Melrose will not have a good staff this year. We are trying to survive so getting as many innings out of the starters as possible. Everybody has a low fatigue which will make this more challenging.

1. Never remove a starter if pitching a shutout
2. No starter pitches more than 11.2 innings. Even if pitching a shutout
3. Staple the starter to the mound until the pounding rule or the 7<sup>th</sup> inning
4. **The Starters**
  - 4.1. Try to get them 7 innings See 4.2 below
  - 4.2. **Remove the starter if tying/winning run on 7<sup>th</sup> or later.**



## Relievers:

The bullpen is thicker this year. Ramos will still close. Strop and Castro will attempt to set him up. Garcia and McCarthy are decent early inning relievers. The rest is bulk inning to rescue the starter when pounding rule comes into play.

1. **AJ Ramos (13\*)- Ramos** is the closer.
2. **Pedro Strop (16\*)- Strop** is our 8<sup>th</sup> inning guy to get to Ramos.
3. **Castro (14\*)/Garcia (9\*)/McCarthy (9\*)- Best of the rest.**
4. **Tazawa (6\*)** – A not quite innocuous reliever. Use when starter pounded out but game still close.
5. **Tyson Ross (1)-** Use first if starter is pounded out. Does not get +5

### Closing notes on Pitcher usage

The above are guidelines. Use your best judgment when managing the pen. The Avengers are trying to win games this year. Don't be afraid to remove the starter earlier or leverage the bullpen to get the road team the win.



'17 Melrose Avenger's Pitching Rotation



Px=Paxton (24)  
An=Anderson (15)  
Ho=Holland (26)

Th=Thompson (8)  
L=Lopez (8)  
Tr=Ross (10)

Mc=B.McCarthy (16)  
Mi=Miley (32)

Ad=Andreise (17)  
H=Hoffman (16)

April <sup>20</sup>

1-4 @KAN Px1, Mc1,Ad1,Mi1  
(5) (DAY OFF)  
6-8 @LV Ho1,Px2,Mc2  
(9) (DAY OFF)  
10-13 @STM Ad2,Mi2,Ho2,Px3  
  
14-17 MUN Mc3,Ad3,Mi3,Ho3  
(18) (DAY OFF)  
19-23 NBO Px4,Mc4,Ad4,Mi4,Ho4  
(24) (DAY OFF)

MAY <sup>21</sup>

1-5 WAR Px5,Mc5,Ad5,Mi5,Ho5  
6-9 DET Px6,Mc6,Ad6,Mi6  
(10) (DAY OFF)  
11-14 @HOB Ho6,Px7,Mc7,Ad7  
15-18 @BH Mi7,Ho7,Px8,Mc8  
(19) (DAY OFF)  
  
20-23 @WHT Ad8,Mi8,Ho8,Px9

June <sup>19</sup>

1-4 LV Mc9,Ad9,Mi9,Ho9  
(5) (DAY OFF)  
6-8 STM Px10,Mc10,Ad10  
9-11 KAN Mi10,Ho10,PX11  
12-16 @HUD Mc11,Ad11,Mi11,Ho11,Px12  
(17) (Day Off)  
18-21 @ZIO Mc12,Ad12,Mi12,Ho12,TR1

July <sup>21</sup>

1-5 @COL Px13,Mc13,Ad13,Mi13,Ho13  
6-9 @CAY Px14,Mc14,Ad14,Mi14  
(10) (DAY OFF)  
11-14 GC Ho14,Px15,Mc15,Ad15  
15-18 KNX Mi15,Ho15,Px16,Mc16  
19-22 MAR Ad16,Mi16,Ho16, Px17  
(23) (DAY OFF)



August <sup>20</sup>

1-4 NW H1,An1,Mi17,Ho17  
5-8 MID Px18,H2,An2,Mi18  
(9) (DAY OFF)  
10-13 RYE Ho18,Px19,H3,An3  
14-17 @BRO Mi19,Ho19,Px20,H4  
18-21 @RIV An4,Mi20,Ho20,Px21  
(22) (DAY OFF)

Septemb  
er <sup>19</sup>

3-5 @KAN H5,An5,Mi21  
6-9 @LV L1,Th1,H6,An6  
10-12 @STM Mi22,L2,Th2  
(13) (Day off)  
14-17 HUD H7,An7,Mi23,L3  
  
18-22 CAY Th3,H8,An8,Mi24,L4  
(23)

October  
<sup>22</sup>

1-4 @MUN Th4,H9,An9,Mi25  
(5) (Day Off)  
6-9 @WAR L5,Th5,H10,An10  
10-13 ZIO Mi26,L6,Th6,H11  
(14)  
15-18 COL An11,Mi27,L7,H12  
(19)  
20-23 @IND Th7,An12,Mi28,L8

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r <sup>23</sup>

(1) (DAY OFF)  
2-6 @DET Ho21,Mi29,H13,Th8,An13  
7-10 @NBO Ho22,Mi30,H14, Px22  
11-13 LV An14,Ho23,Ad17,Mi31  
(14) (DAY OFF)  
15-18 STM Px23,Ho24,H15,An15  
19-22 KAN Mi32,Px24,Ho25,H16  
(23) (DAY OFF)

