



**PROSPECT
HANDBOOK
2062**

GRADE	HITTER ROLE	PITCHER ROLE
75-80	Franchise Player	No. 1 Starter
65-70	Perennial All-Star	No. 2 Starter
60	Occasional All-Star	No. 3 Starter, Game's Best Reliever
55	First-Division Regular	No. 3/4 Starter, Closer
50	Solid-Average Regular	No. 4 Starter, Setup Reliever
45	Second-Division Regular/Platoon	No. 5 Starter, Middle Reliever
40	Reserve	Fill-in Starter, Low-leverage Reliever

RISK FACTORS

LOW: Likely to reach realistic ceiling, certain big league career barring injury.

MEDIUM: Some work left to refine their tools, but a polished player.

HIGH: Most top draft picks in their first seasons, players with plenty of projection left, players with a significant flaw left to correct, or players whose injury history is worrisome.

VERY HIGH: Recent draft picks with a limited track record of success or injury issues.

EXTREME: Teenagers in Rookie ball, players with significant injury history or players who struggle with a key skill, especially control for pitchers or strikeout rate for hitters.

PROJECTED 2065 LINEUP

Catcher	Qaseem Kahil	27
First Base	Dan Wilkinson	27
Second Base	Reynaldo Serrano	30
Third Base	Tom Allen	29
Shortstop	Máximo Gousto	24
Left Field	Clancy Lee	27
Center Field	Ed Rooney	30
Right Field	Jedediah Marzuq	27
Designated Hitter	Denes Terovolas	24
No. 1 Starter	Samuel Nebraska	33
No. 2 Starter	Peter Ramsey	34
No. 3 Starter	Harry Stewart	24
No. 4 Starter	José Martínez	25
No. 5 Starter	Hilal Yusef	21
Closer	Felipe Valdéz	26

FARM SYSTEM EVOLUTION

Departures from the 2061 Handbook

Left in Trade (6)

- 2 1B Raul Gallehos (to Twin Cities)
- 3 1B Juan Hernández (to Vancouver)
- 6 LF Phillip Higgins (to Vancouver)
- 7 LHP Abdul-Halim bin Mansur (to Vancouver)
- 13 RHP Chris Parker (to Vancouver)
- 30 RHP Manny Gomez (to San Fernando)

Graduated (4):

- 19 RHP David Uribe
- 20 1B Cristo Manuel
- 21 RHP Randall Cotton
- 24 OF/1B Herman de Jonge

Lost to Waiver Claim (1):

- 23 1B Ramón Téllez

Dropped in Rank Below Top 30 (4):

- 10 3B Abdul-Karim Hamal
- 25 RHP Zaki Jamal
- 26 LF Kent Gill
- 28 LHP MacKenzie Rhoney

Additions to the 2062 Handbook

Arrived in Trade (1):

- 26 C Qaseem Kahil (from San Fernando)

Amateur Draft (4):

- 29 2B Raul Sandoval (2nd round)
- 22 1B Jim Garrick (3rd round)
- 15 1B Jim Brown (10th round)
- 13 RHP Mario Vick (11th round)

Signed (4):

- 2 RF Ramazan Makal (IAFA)
- 3 LF Matthew Berg (IAFA)
- 4 LF Timur Agca (IAFA)
- 17 1B Alonso Rojas (Scouting Discovery)

Improved in Rank into Top 30 (6)

- 7 1B Jose Gros (2060 9th round)
- 11 RHP Maonanani Nana (MiLB signing)
- 12 RHP Felipe Valdez (2060 12th round)
- 18 C Fernando Valle (2061 IAFA)
- 19 Jabbar bin Yusef (2061 IAFA)
- 20 1B Javier Martinez (2060 13th round)

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Jedidiah Marzuq, OF

Born: June 5, 2037 **B-T** L-L **HT:** 6'2" **WT:** 180 **Signed as IAFA** 2054

TRACK RECORD: Marzuq was signed by Jacksonville as an international amateur free agent out of Kuwait in 2054 with a \$13 million bonus. After three years in rookie ball, he earned a promotion to Short Season A Paraiso, where he hit .257/.323/.341 (83 OPS+) with 22 stolen bases in 26 attempts. He was selected in the first round of the 2059 Rule 5 draft by Montreal, where he hit .227/.255/.356 in his first exposure to pitching above Short Season A. Last season he was assigned to AA Mississauga, where he hit .266/.322/.359 (82 OPS+).

SCOUTING REPORT: Over the past year, Marzuq's offensive projections have continued to rise. Both his hit tool and his power have improved, with scouts now describing both as plus-plus, with elite power into the gaps as well. In addition, his batting eye has developed significantly, now grading out as plus. He has an elite throwing arm and plus-plus outfield range, making him a strong defender at all three outfield positions.

THE FUTURE: Marzuq will remain in AA to start the season.



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Risk:
Medium

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	9	9/8	7/5	7/9	8/11	7/-

2 New

Ramazan Makal, RF

Born: Oct.13, 2045 **B-T** R-R **HT:** 6'1" **WT:** 165 **Signed as IAFA** 2062

TRACK RECORD: Makal was signed by Montreal as an international amateur free agent out of Turkey in 2062 with a \$5 million bonus.

SCOUTING REPORT: Scouts project Makal with elite power to all fields and an even better batting eye. He has a plus hit tool although he struggles with strikeouts. Speed is not part of his game, but his defense in right field should be decent enough.

THE FUTURE: Makal has been assigned to Montreal's international complex.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	7	9 / 9	10 / 3	6 / 3	5 / 7	5 / -

3 New

Matthew 'Black Hole' Berg, 2B

Born: Sept. 5, 2045 **B-T R-R HT:** 6'1" **WT:** 170 **Signed as IAFA** 2062

TRACK RECORD: Berg was signed by Montreal as an international amateur free agent out of Turkey in 2062 with a \$5.25 million bonus.

SCOUTING REPORT: Scouts describe Berg as a line drive hitter with elite power and otherwise decent tools. Although signed as an outfielder, Montreal intends to work him at the keystone, where he will have much to learn. Team officials say to expect Berg to be a regular in the team's development lab in future offseasons to work on his defense.

THE FUTURE: Berg has been assigned to Montreal's international complex.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	6	8 / 9	6 / 6	6 / 2	6 / 4	6 / 5

4 New

Timur 'Clockwork' Agca, LF

Born: July 22, 2045 **B-T S-R HT:** 6'4" **WT:** 185 **Signed as IAFA** 2062

TRACK RECORD: Agca was signed by Montreal as an international amateur free agent out of Turkey in 2062 with a \$3.3 million bonus.

SCOUTING REPORT: Scouts project Agca with an elite hit tool and plus-plus speed. He is a line drive hitter with decent power and an average eye at the plate. He should be a plus-plus left fielder although his arm is below average.

THE FUTURE: Agca has been assigned to Montreal's international complex.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	9	6 / 6	5 / 7	8 / 5	7 / 4	5 / -

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Manny Burgus, LF

Born: Feb. 2, 2040 **B-T** L-L **HT:** 6'0" **WT:** 175 **Drafted:** 2059 (2nd round).

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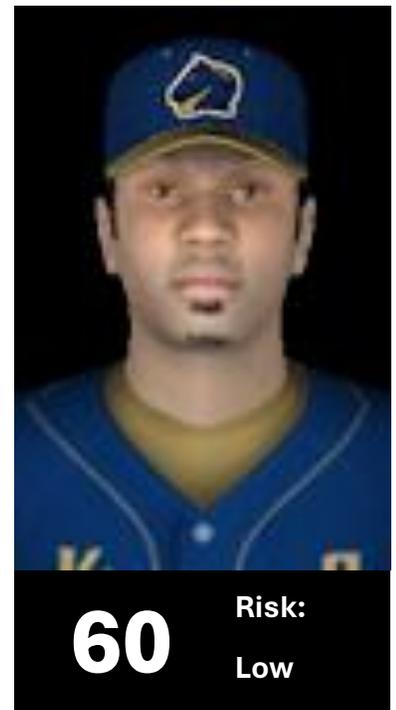
TRACK RECORD: Burgus was taken in the second round of the 2059 amateur draft by Montreal. Prior to the draft, he detrimentally completed training to improve his base stealing technique at the Central America Conquistadors development complete. Initially assigned to rookie ball, he earned a promotion to Short Season A in mid-season after hitting .350/.425/.700 in 40 games. He continued to hit at the next level, recording a .316/.388/.434 slash line (125 OPS+) in 85 plate appearances.

He was assigned to Single A Dearborn Heights to begin 2060, but earned a promotion to AA Mississauga after hitting .351/.434/.558 (168 OPS+) in 39 starts. He continued to excel in AA, hitting .302/.365/.517 in 293 plate appearances. Last season at AAA New Jersey, Burgus hit .325/.407/.474 (129 OPS+).

During the recent offseason, Burgus successfully completed training to improve his defense in left field.

SCOUTING REPORT: Burgus projects as an extra base machine, with plus-plus power into the gaps mixed with elite speed. His other tools are all slightly better than average. His below average arm strength restricts him to left field, but he has plus range and projects as a plus-plus left fielder defensively.

THE FUTURE: The plan is for Burgus to start in left field for Montreal this season, pushing Clancy Lee to right field. After last season's right field debacle, the club is counting on Burgus as an upgrade both offensively and defensively. Montreal believes that his elite speed combined with his power into the gaps should play well in Ubisoft Field, which is known to be extra base friendly.



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Risk:
Low

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	6	8 / 6	6 / 5	9 / 5	8 / 5	5 / -

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Teddy Bullock, LF

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Born: Nov. 16, 2038 **B-T** L-L **HT:** 6'1" **WT:** 185 **Drafted:** 2056 (1st overall).

TRACK RECORD: Bullock was drafted first overall in the 2056 amateur draft by Brooklyn, earning a \$9 million signing bonus out of high school. In April of 2060, he was claimed off waivers by first New Orleans and then Montreal. After three years in rookie ball with Brooklyn's affiliate, he split time in 2060 between Montreal's rookie and Short Season A teams, hitting .327/.367/.535 (146 OPS+) and .221/.274/.298 (60 OPS+), respectively. Last season he split time between Short Season A Nassau and Single-A Dearborn, hitting .268/.321/.548 (149 OPS+) and .247/.341/.342 (88 OPS+), respectively. During the offseason, Montreal assigned him a personal trainer / life coach; reports are that Bullock has a renewed sense of purpose and a much-improved work ethic.

SCOUTING REPORT: Bullock was originally drafted for his promise of light-tower power. The power is still there, but scouts say that his poor work ethic has held him back. He projects to have an average hit tool with plus power into the gaps and a plus batting eye. He struggles with strikeouts as he sells out for the long ball. His base running is below average, but he is a plus defender in left field.

THE FUTURE: Bullock is out of options. The former underachiever will now have to work on his game under the bright lights of the BBA. For now, he'll be the last guy on the bench, not the ideal situation for a young prospect. It's a giant leap from Single-A Dearborn to Ubisoft Field. Perhaps Montreal's big league coaching staff can work their magic with him.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	5	7 / 8	7 / 3	4 / 4	7 / 6	5 / -

7 José Gros, 1B

Born: May 5, 2043. **B-T** R-R **HT:** 6'3" **WT:** 190 **Drafted:** 2060 (9th round)

New

TRACK RECORD: Gros was selected out of high school in the ninth round of the 2060 amateur draft by Montreal. In his first two years in professional ball, he has divided time each season between rookie ball and Short Season A; he hit well in rookie ball (146 & 186 OPS+) and poorly in Short Season A (50 & 14 OPS+).

SCOUTING REPORT: Gros was drafted as a second baseman but Montreal moved him to first base. He has a plus hit tool, decent gap power and baserunning skills, but is otherwise unremarkable. These credentials might be good enough for second base, but he will need to level up before he has any hope of playing first base in the big leagues, particularly in a system full of first basemen like Montreal's.

THE FUTURE: Gros will remain in Short Season A Nassau.



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Risk:
Very High

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	7	6 / 5	5 / 6	6 / 7	6 / 4	5 / 5

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Hilel 'Death Rattle' bin Umayr, 1B

Born: Jan. 14, 2042 **B-T R-R HT:** 6'1" **WT:** 175 **Signed:** IAFA May 6, 2060

Was 17

TRACK RECORD: Bin Umayr was signed out of Lebanon as an international amateur free agent last May for a \$1,800,000 bonus. He was assigned to Montreal's international complex.

SCOUTING REPORT: Bin Umayr rarely strikes out. His hit tool and home power project as slightly above average with his gap power and batting eye roughly average. Signed as a second baseman, the Blazers have moved him to first base.

THE FUTURE: Bin Umayr turned 20 years old in January, earning him a ticket to Oshawa to join Montreal's rookie league team.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	6	5 / 6	5 / 8	5 / 5	6 / 4	4 / 7

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Wazir bin Haddad, 1B

Was 18

Born: Jan. 14, 2042 **B-T R-R HT:** 6'1" **WT:** 175 **Signed:** IAFA May 6, 2060

TRACK RECORD: Bin Haddad was signed out of Afghanistan as an international amateur free agent last April for a \$1,200,000 bonus. He was assigned to Montreal's international complex.

SCOUTING REPORT: Bin Haddad rarely strikes out. His hit tool and home run power project as slightly above average. His batting eye is below average. Signed as a second baseman, the Blazers have moved him to first base.

THE FUTURE: Bin Haddad will remain in Montreal's international complex.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	6	5 / 6	4 / 7	5 / 2	5 / 4	4 / 7

10 Harry Stewart, RHP

Born: June 5, 2040 **B-T R-R HT:** 6'6" **WT:** 190 **Drafted:** 2057 (2nd round).

Was 4

TRACK RECORD: Montreal drafted Stewart in the 2nd round of the 2057 draft, 60th overall. The Blazers farm system is weak in pitching, and Stewart found himself making his first professional start in Short Season A at the tender young age of 16 (two days short of his 17th birthday), surrounded by grown men. He made 12 starts, pitching to a 5.09 ERA (91 ERA+), but allowed only a single home run in 63 $\frac{2}{3}$ innings pitched. At 17, Stewart made 21 starts in Single-A with 12 quality starts, but with a 5.48 ERA and 5.7 walks/9. The following season Stewart mastered Single-A, starting 19 games, going 5-4 with a 2.97 ERA (134 ERA+). The next season in AA, Stewart went 16-7 in 27 starts with a 3.23 ERA (126 ERA+). Last season, he started 24 games for AAA New Jersey, going 8-12 with a 4.43 ERA (105 ERA+).



Stewart completed training in Montreal's development lab in an outstanding manner to improve his control during the recent offseason.

SCOUTING REPORT: Stewart is a right-handed sidewinder who is particularly effective against right-handed batters. With his arsenal of six pitches, however, he is also effective against lefties. His best pitch is his plus fastball. The rest of his repertoire grades out as average. All his pitches move, making it difficult to square him up. Since last season's Handbook, he has continued to develop but scouting projections have been reduced for both movement and control. He has struggled to control his changeup. His floor continues to be that of a starter at the back end of the rotation.

THE FUTURE: Stewart is on the bubble to start the season in the big league rotation.

SCOUTING GRADES	STUFF	MOVEMENT HRA/PBABIP	CONTROL	FASTBALLS	OFF SPEED PITCHES	BREAKING
	5	7/6	5	Fastball/Sinker/Cutter	Changeup/Circle Change	Curve/Slider/Splitter
				7/5/-	4/-	5/5/5

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Moananani Nana, RHP

New

Born: June 21, 2040 **B-T** L-R **HT:** 6'2" **WT:** 180 **Drafted:** 2059 (12th round).



TRACK RECORD: Nana was selected out of junior college in the twelfth round of the 2059 amateur draft by Des Moines but released two months later. Montreal signed him to a minor league deal in May of 2060 and assigned him to Short Season A Nassau, where he made nine appearances, going 1-1 with a 0.77 ERA (456 ERA+). Last season, he split time between AA Mississauga and AAA New Jersey. He made 29 appearances for New Jersey, going 6-4 with a 4.15 ERA (113 ERA+) and 12 saves.

SCOUTING REPORT: Nana has a very pedestrian three-pitch repertoire but all three feature plus-plus movement. He has pinpoint control and can throw any pitch on any count. He is a soft tosser who pitches to contact but rarely surrenders the long ball. Scouts speak well of his work ethic.

THE FUTURE: Nana is BBA ready. He may find a role in middle relief in Montreal's strong bullpen; failing that he will return to New Jersey.

SCOUTING GRADES	STUFF	MOVEMENT HRA/PBABIP	CONTROL	FASTBALLS	OFF SPEED PITCHES	BREAKING
	4	8 / 5	8	Fastball/Sinker/Cutter	Changeup/Circle Change	Curve/Slider/Splitter
				4 / 4 / 5	- / -	- / - / -

12 Felipe Valdéz, RHP

Born: Mar. 24, 2039 **B-T** L-R **HT:** 6'1" **WT:** 180 **Drafted** 2060 (12th round)

New

TRACK RECORD: Valdéz was selected out of college in the 12th round of the 2060 amateur draft by Montreal. In his first season at Short Season A, he made 15 appearances, going 1-1 with a 4.88 ERA (72 ERA+). Last season, he split time between Single A and AA, dominating the former to the tune of a 1.74 ERA in 10 appearances. He struggled with the promotion to AA, going 2-1 in 20 appearances with a 5.70 ERA (73 ERA+).

SCOUTING REPORT: The recent offseason saw Valdéz make great strides. His stuff improved dramatically; both his movement and control also got better. His fastball now sits around 96-98 and grades out as plus-plus with the potential to be elite. His curveball, while still a work in progress, also projects as elite. Scouts praise his work ethic and adaptability.



THE FUTURE: Valdéz will likely take his new and improved stuff out for a spin in AAA.

SCOUTING GRADES	STUFF	MOVEMENT HRA/PBABIP	CONTROL	FASTBALLS	OFF SPEED PITCHES	BREAKING
	8	7/6	5	Fastball/Sinker/Cutter 10 / - / -	Changeup/Circle Change - / -	Curve/Slider/Splitter 9 / - / -

13 Mario Vick, RHP

Born: Mar. 1, 2042 **B-T** R-R **HT:** 6'2" **WT:** 190 **Drafted** 2061 (11th round)

New

TRACK RECORD: Valdéz was selected out of junior college in the eleventh round of the 2061 amateur draft by Montreal. Last season in Single A, he made 31 appearances, going 6-3 with a 2.25 ERA (178 ERA+).

SCOUTING REPORT: During the offseason, Vick added a new pitch to his arsenal: a sinker. It is below average for now, but that is to be expected. He also throws a decent fastball that sits around 91-93 mph and a changeup that projects to be his best pitch. The key to his future is realizing the movement that scouts project, which they say should be plus-plus. His control grades out as decent. Scouts speak highly of his work ethic and adaptability.

THE FUTURE: Valdéz has earned a promotion to AA Mississauga.



SCOUTING GRADES	STUFF	MOVEMENT HRA/PBABIP	CONTROL	FASTBALLS	OFF SPEED PITCHES	BREAKING
	5	8/5	6	Fastball/Sinker/Cutter	Changeup/Circle Change	Curve/Slider/Splitter
				6 / 4 / -	7 / -	- / - / -

14 António Figueroa, RHP

Born: Aug. 6, 2042 **B-T S-R HT:** 6'6" **WT:** 195 **Drafted** 2059 (3rd round)

Was 14

TRACK RECORD: Figueroa was selected out of high school in the third round of the 2059 amateur draft by Montreal, after which he was assigned to Short Season A Nassau. He appeared in nine games, throwing 17 innings to a 2.60 ERA (140 ERA+), allowing no home runs. In the 2059 offseason, he successfully completed training to improve his slider at Montreal's development complex. During 2060, he split time between Short Season A and Single-A. He dominated in the younger circuit, appearing in 33 games with a 1.93 ERA (190 ERA+). He struggled after his promotion, making 34 appearances with a 6.67 ERA (62 ERA+). Last season, he made 57 appearances for Single-A Dearborn Heights, going 6-9 with 30 saves and a 4.99 ERA (80 ERA+), striking out almost eight batters per nine innings, but struggling with his control.

SCOUTING REPORT: Figueroa is an imposing 6'6" classic fastball/slider power pitcher, with an elite fastball sits between 99-101 mph. Scouts project him to have plus movement on his pitches but say that he needs to work on his control. Coaches note that he can be slow to pick up new ideas.

THE FUTURE: Figueroa will likely return to Single-A Dearborn Heights and attempt to harness his triple digit fastball.



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Risk:
High

SCOUTING GRADES	STUFF	MOVEMENT HRA/PBABIP	CONTROL	FASTBALLS	OFF SPEED PITCHES	BREAKING
	5	7/6	5	Fastball/Sinker/Cutter	Changeup/Circle Change	Curve/Slider/Splitter
				9 / - / -	- / -	- / 7 / -

15 Jim Brown, 1B

Born: Mar. 17, 2041. **B-T S-R HT:** 6'6" **WT:** 200 **Drafted:** 2061 (10th round)

New

TRACK RECORD: Brown was selected out of high school in the tenth round of the 2061 amateur draft by Montreal. Last season in rookie ball, he hit .263/.353/.398 (117 OPS+).

SCOUTING REPORT: Brown was drafted as a left fielder but given his poor foot speed and an arm even too weak for left, Montreal moved him to first base where his height will play up. His calling card is his elite contact skill; he very rarely strikes out. Otherwise, his bat projects as roughly average. He is a switch hitter who is equally comfortable from either side of the plate. Scouts suggest that he is not a hard worker and worry that that will impede his development. He is already older than his high school cohort.

THE FUTURE: Brown will move up to Short Season A Nassau.



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Risk:

Extreme

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	5	5 / 5	6 / 9	3 / 5	4 / 1	3 / 2

16 Raúl Chavarría, 1B

Born: Jan. 13, 2043 **B-T R-R HT:** 6'5" **WT:** 195 **Drafted:** 2060 (3rd round)

Was 16

TRACK RECORD: Chavarría was selected out of high school in the third round of the 2060 amateur draft by Montreal. Assigned to rookie ball, he hit .164/.225/.288 (41 OPS+) in his first exposure to professional baseball. Last season in rookie ball again, he improved to .190/.270/.392 (88 OPS+).

SCOUTING REPORT: Scouts project Chavarría with plus power and a plus hit tool, although he struggles with strikeouts. He can play a respectable left field, but his natural home is at first base.

THE FUTURE: Chavarría will return to rookie ball.



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Risk:
Extreme

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	7	5 / 7	5 / 3	2 / 1	4 / 4	4 / 4

17 Alonso Rojas, LF

Born: Jan. 29, 2045 B-T R-R HT: 6'2" WT: 135 Scouting Discovery: 2061

New

TRACK RECORD: Rojas was signed out of Colombia by Montreal in late 2061.

SCOUTING REPORT: Scouts project Rojas to have elite power as well as a decent hit tool but say that his plate discipline is poor and that he struggles with strikeouts. He has plus-plus speed and plus baserunning instincts. He projects as a plus-plus defender in left field.

THE FUTURE: Rojas will remain in Montreal's international complex.



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Risk:
Extreme

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	6	6 / 9	4 / 3	8 / 6	8 / 6	3 / -

18 Fernando Valle, C

Born: Aug. 13, 2043 **B-T R-R HT:** 6'4" **WT:** 195 **Signed as IAFA:** 2061

New

TRACK RECORD: Valle was signed by Montreal as an international amateur free agent out of Venezuela in 2061 with a \$395,833 bonus.

SCOUTING REPORT: Valle projects to be an all-around decent ballplayer with no remarkable gifts, but that might be good enough for a catcher. His catching skills are borderline. Scouts note that Valle is not a quick learner.

THE FUTURE: Valle will remain in Montreal's international complex for now.



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Risk:
Extreme

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap / HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye / Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed / Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range / Arm	FIELDING SKILL Blocking / Framing
	6	5 / 7	5 / 5	2 / 5	- / 6	6 / 6

19 Jabbar bin Yusef, 1B

Born: Apr. 27, 2044 B-T L-R HT: 6'4" WT: 200 Signed as IAFA: 2061

New

TRACK RECORD: Bin Yusef was signed by Montreal as an international amateur free agent out of Afghanistan in 2061 with a \$395,833 bonus.

SCOUTING REPORT: Bin Yusef is a big left-handed hitter who projects with plus power but otherwise an unremarkable profile. Scouts say that he is very intelligent.

THE FUTURE: Bin Yusef will remain in Montreal's international complex for now.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap / HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye / Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed / Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range / Arm	FIELDING SKILL Blocking / Framing
	6	5 / 7	5 / 5	2 / 5	- / 6	6 / 6

20 Javier Martínez, 1B

Born: Feb. 21, 2040 **B-T** L-R **HT:** 6'7" **WT:** 200 **Drafted:** 2060 (13th round)

New

TRACK RECORD: Martínez was selected out of college in the thirteenth round of the 2060 amateur draft. His college experience enabled him to advance rapidly through the Blazers system. In 2060, he split time between Short Season A and Single-A, hitting .342/.408/.430 (140 OPS+) and .377/.405/.487 (142 OPS), respectively. Last season, he split time between AA and AAA, hitting .386/.404/.554 (154 OPS+) and .362/.402/.454 (123 OPS+).

SCOUTING REPORT: Martínez's super power is not striking out. Otherwise, his hit tool is decent, his gap power is average, and his home run power and batting eye are below average. Of course, his lack of power at a corner position is why he tumbled down to the 13th round of the draft. It is odd that this towering 6'7" ballplayer is a punch and judy hitter but don't tell the pitchers that when he fouls off pitch after pitch. Sadly, scouts describe him as lazy and not very bright.

THE FUTURE: Martínez is BBA ready, but there is no room for him in Montreal. He'll return to AAA New Jersey for now.



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Risk:
Low

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap / HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye / Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed / Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range / Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err / Turn DP
	6	5 / 4	4 / 10	2 / 1	5 / 2	4 / 2

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José Martínez, RHP

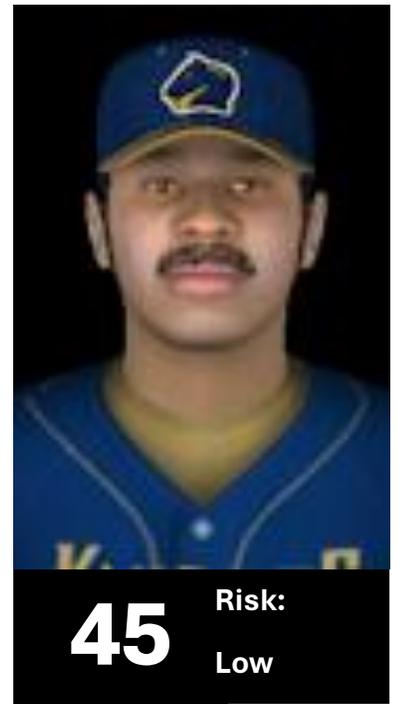
Born: Nov. 15, 2039 **B-T** R-R **HT:** 6'4" **WT:** 200 **Drafted:** 2058 (1st round).

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TRACK RECORD: Selected by Montreal as the 28th overall pick in the first round of the 2058 draft, Martínez was assigned to Single-A Dearborn Heights. He made 14 starts to a 5.18 ERA as an 18-year-old. The next season at Dearborn Heights, he started 28 games, going 9-12 with a 3.18 ERA (104 ERA+). In 2060 at AA Mississauga, he went 11-7 in 26 starts with a 4.16 ERA (97 ERA+). Last season at AAA New Jersey, he made 24 starts, going 10-8 with a 4.74 ERA (107 ERA+).

SCOUTING REPORT: Martínez throws five mostly average pitches from an over-the-top arm slot. His four-seam fastball is his best pitch, sitting around 97-99 mph. His other fastball variations (two-seam, cutter) all project as average offerings, while his two offspeed/breaking pitches project as slightly below average. His pitching repertoire features decent movement and average command. Hitters may not be intimidated by his stuff, but they'll be kept guessing as to what coming and will have some difficulty squaring it up.

THE FUTURE: Martinez will probably return to AAA for one more season, but may board the New Jersey – Montreal shuttle if the big league rotation needs another arm.



SCOUTING GRADES	STUFF	MOVEMENT HRA/PBABIP	CONTROL	FASTBALLS	OFF SPEED PITCHES	BREAKING
	5	6 / 6	5	Fastball/Sinker/Cutter 6 / 5 / 5	Changeup/Circle Change 4 / -	Curve/Slider/Splitter - / - / 4

22 Jim Garrick, C

Born: May 12, 2040 **B-T** L-R **HT:** 6'0" **WT:** 195 **Drafted:** 2061 (3rd round)

New

TRACK RECORD: Garrick was selected out of college in the third round of the 2061 draft by Montreal. Assigned to Single-A Dearborn Heights, he hit .267/.381/.459 (129 OPS+).

During the recent offseason, he successfully completed training at Montreal's development lab to improve his defense at catcher.

SCOUTING REPORT: Scouts project Garrick with plus-plus power, a plus hit tool, and a plus eye, but say that he is strikeout machine. As expected, he is slightly more comfortable against right-handed pitching. As a left-handed catcher, he is a rare commodity. Scouts speak well of his work ethic and praise his leadership.

THE FUTURE: Garrick is expected to start the season in AA.



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Risk:
Medium

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap / HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye / Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed / Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range / Arm	FIELDING SKILL Blocking / Framing
	7	5 / 8	7 / 2	1 / 5	- / 5	5 / 6

23 Nikolaus Buser, 1B

Born: July 15, 2041 **B-T R-L** HT: 6'8" **WT:** 200 **Drafted:** 2058 (2nd round).

Was 9

TRACK RECORD: After being selected in the second round in the 2058 draft, he spent his 16-year-old season in Rookie ball, where he hit .233/.309/.419 (97 OPS+). The following season he hit .270/.339/.437 (126 OPS+) in Rookie ball. In 2060 in Short Season A, he struggled, hitting .185/.346/.323 (88 OPS+). Last season returning to Short Season A, he hit .316/.431/.474 (163 OPS+).

SCOUTING REPORT: Buser still has a plus-plus batting eye, but his other tools have declined. He'll need to improve his average hit tool and decent power before he can hope to win a first base job in the BBA.

He is an elite defender at first base. He is a respected voice in the clubhouse.

THE FUTURE: Buser will move up to Single-A this season.



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Risk:
Medium

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	4	5 / 6	8 / 4	4 / 4	5 / 3	3 / 1

24 Bengt Zippro, 2B

Born: Jan. 10, 2037 **B-T R-R HT:** 6'2" **WT:** 190 **Signed:** 2053 out of Aruba.

Was 29

TRACK RECORD: Rocky Mountain scouts discovered Zippro in 2053. He was traded to Las Vegas just months later. He spent four years in Rookie ball before moving up to Short Season A last season as a 21-year-old, where he hit .365/453/514 over 86 plate appearances with 7 stolen bases in eight attempts. He was traded to Montreal in early June of 2058. Last season in Single-A he hit .295/.349/.407 (106 OPS+) and stole a remarkable 60 bases in 66 attempts. During the 2059 offseason, he completed training at Montreal's development complex to improve his defense at second base with an outstanding result. Both his arm and error rating improved by a full point, with lesser gains to his range and double play ability. Scouts say, "Expect him to be leaps and bounds better." In 2060 in Single-A, he hit .325/3.98/.468 (135 OPS+) and stole 47 bases in 56 attempts. Last season he moved up to AA, hitting .238/.333/.351 (83 OPS+) and stole 40 bases in 49 attempts.



SCOUTING REPORT: Zippro possesses an above average hit tool and gap power. He has elite baserunning instincts and plus-plus speed. His defense has taken a step back, however. During the recent offseason, Montreal assigned a personal trainer / life coach to him in hopes that it would help unlock his potential.

THE FUTURE: Zippro will remain at AA to see if his improved work ethic will lead to better results the second time around.

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	6	6 / 5	5 / 5	8 / 9	7 / 7	6 / 5

25 Neal Johnston, LF

Born: July 26, 2036 **B-T** R-R **HT:** 6'0" **WT:** 195 **Signed:** 2053 out of Israel

Was 22

TRACK RECORD: Johnston was signed out of Israel in 2053 by Long Beach. In 2057, he was traded to Boise. He broke out in 2059, hitting .307/.418/.433 in Short Season A. This attracted the attention of Montreal, who traded for him as the 2060 season began. Splitting time between Single-A and AA, he hit .400/.520/.533 (187 OPS+) and .282/.405/.453 (134 OPS+), respectively. Last season, he struggled in both AA and AAA, hitting .215 and .222, respectively.

SCOUTING REPORT: Johnston took a big step backward last season. Scouts say that his power has decreased to merely average. His batting eye, his signature trait, also got slightly worse. Although he has below average speed, he is a plus defender. Scouts say that his lackadaisical approach holds him back. Others say that the real reason that he's been traded twice is because he can be a disruptive influence in the clubhouse.

THE FUTURE: Johnston will start the new season at AA Mississauga where team officials hope that he can rediscover his 2060 form.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	7	6 / 5	7 / 4	3 / 4	6 / 6	5 / -

26 Qaseem Kahil, C

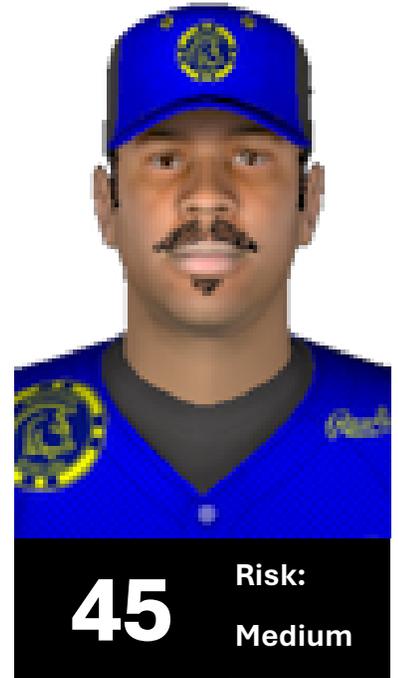
Born: Feb. 4, 2038 B-T L-R HT: 6'1" WT: 185 Signed as IAFA: 2055

New

TRACK RECORD: Kahil was signed by San Fernando as an international amateur free agent out of Bahrain in 2055 with a \$395,823 bonus. In 2057 he was assigned to rookie ball, hitting .222/.226/.389 (59 OPS+). He spent the next two seasons in Short Season A, hitting .201/.261/.312 (53 OPS+) and .284/.335/.385 (99 OPS+), respectively. The next two seasons he played for Single-A, hitting .231/.266/.335 (63 OPS+) and .247/.318/.442 (106 OPS+), respectively. He was traded during the recent offseason to Montreal. He successfully completed training in their development lab to improve his defense.

SCOUTING REPORT: Kahil is that rare commodity, a left-handed-hitting catcher. Against right-handed pitching, scouts project plus-plus power along with a plus batting eye, although his hit tool is average at best. He has a significant platoon factor and needs a platoon partner, rarely an issue for a catcher. Both his blocking and framing are of plus-plus quality but his throwing arm is merely average. Scouts say that he is not very bright and is prone to being outspoken in the clubhouse.

THE FUTURE: Kahil has been assigned to AA Mississauga to begin the 2062 season.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap / HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye / Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed / Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range / Arm	FIELDING SKILL Blocking / Framing
	5	5 / 7	6 / 4	2 / 2	- / 5	8 / 8

27 Máximo Gousto, SS

Born: Aug. 22, 2040 **B-T R-R HT:** 5'11" **WT:** 170 **Drafted:** 2057 (1st round).

Was 15

TRACK RECORD: After being selected out of high school in the first round of the 2057 amateur draft by Las Vegas, Gousto was assigned to rookie ball as a 16-year-old, where he remained for the next two seasons. In 2059, he was traded to San Fernando. Two months later, he was again traded, arriving in Montreal as part of the Qutuz Mahdi deal. Interestingly, he has been sent to training at teams' development three times in his short career. He was unsuccessful at improving his plate discipline with Las Vegas but did improve his base stealing technique with them. After the 2059 season, he delivered outstanding results improving his defense at shortstop.

2060 saw him record his first successful season as a professional, hitting .274/.297/.435 (100 OPS+) in rookie ball. He stole 17 bases in 19 attempts.

Last season, he moved up to Short Season A and built on his success in

rookie ball, hitting .284/.318/.424 (114 OPS+) while stealing 37 bases in 41 attempts, good for a total of 5.0 WAR.

SCOUTING REPORT: Gousto's projected home run power continues to wane, but he is speedier than ever. His speed, base running, and stealing are elite. His defense at shortstop is outstanding, logging a positive 18.7 zone rating. His work ethic, intelligence, and adaptability are highly regarded.

THE FUTURE: Gousto will move up to Single-A Dearborn Heights this season.



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Risk:
Very High

SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	8	5 / 4	2 / 5	9 / 9	9 / 9	9 / 8

28 Hilal 'The Bern' Yusuf, RHP

Born: Aug 20, 2043 **B-T L-R HT:** 6'1" **WT:** 170 **Signed:** IAFA Jan. 6, 2060

Was 5

TRACK RECORD: Montreal signed Yusuf out of Bahrain with an \$18 million bonus, the largest of the 2060 international amateur free agent class. Skipping the international complex, he was immediately assigned to Montreal's rookie league affiliate, where he pitched well as a 16-year-old against older competition. Starting 13 games, he went 7-3 with a 3.11 ERA (122 ERA+). Last season, in Short Season A, he took a step back. He made 11 starts, going 2-5 with a 4.88 ERA (67 ERA+).

SCOUTING REPORT: Yusuf struggled with the move to Short Season A Nassau. His control worsened as his velocity increased. Perhaps trying to overthrow, his pitches flattened and were more vulnerable to the long ball. He struck out fewer and walks increased dramatically. He's young and scouts speak highly of his intelligence and adaptability, so perhaps this is just a blip on his development trajectory.

THE FUTURE: Yusuf will likely remain in Short Season A as he works through his control issues.



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Risk:
Extreme

SCOUTING GRADES	STUFF	MOVEMENT HRA/PBABIP	CONTROL	FASTBALLS	OFF SPEED PITCHES	BREAKING
	6	6 / 5	5	Fastball/Sinker/Cutter	Changeup/Circle Change	Curve/Slider/Splitter
				6 / 7 / -	6 / -	7 / 8 / 4

29 Raúl Sandoval, IF

Born: Sept. 26, 2043 **B-T R-R HT:** 6'3" **WT:** 175 **Drafted:** 2061 (2nd round).

New

TRACK RECORD: Sandoval was selected out of high school in the second round of the 2061 amateur draft by Montreal. In rookie ball, he hit .301/.357/.472 (137 OPS+).

SCOUTING REPORT: Sandoval has ordinary skills at the plate but can play any infield position well. He has plus-plus range, a plus-plus arm, and a decent glove but he is only average at turning the double play. He is unusually slow on the basepaths, losing footraces to catchers and big lumbering DHs.

Scouts praise his work ethic and adaptability, so expect the 18-year-old to work hard to improve his moves around the keystone.

THE FUTURE: Sandoval will move up to Short Season A Nassau.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	5	5 / 5	3 / 6	1 / 1	8 / 8	6 / 5

30 Pedro 'Suds' Hernandez, OF

Born: Nov. 20, 2041. **B-T L-R HT:** 6'4" **WT:** 185 **Signed:** IAFA Nov.16, 2058

Was 27

TRACK RECORD: Hernandez signed for a \$4,750,000 bonus as an international amateur free agent out of El Salvador before the 2059 season. Assigned to Rookie league Oshawa, he hit .172/.221/.271 with 8 SB in 8 attempts in his first exposure to pro ball. In 2060, Hernandez continued to struggle, hitting .175/.210/.243 (26 OPS+). Last season, he finally found his stride, hitting .259/.306/.363 (92 OPS+) and stealing 19 bases in 20 attempts.

SCOUTING REPORT: Hernandez has plus-plus contact skills and rarely strikes out, even though he often chases pitches out of the zone. With his plus-plus speed, his power into the gaps plays up. Despite his tall frame, his line drive approach does not lend itself to home runs. He is known to frequently bunt for hits with great success. He is a plus-plus outfielder, capable of playing all three positions.

THE FUTURE: Hernandez will return to rookie ball for the 2061 season.



SCOUTING GRADES	HITTING BABIP	POWER Gap/HR	PLATE DISCIPLINE Eye/Avoid Ks	BASE RUNNING Speed/Stealing	FIELDING TOOLS Range/Arm	FIELDING SKILL Avoid Err/Turn DP
	8	6 / 2	3 / 8	8 / 8	8 / 9	6 / -

Best Hit Tool: Timur Agca

Best Gap Hitter: Jedidiah Marzuq

Best Power Tool: Ramazan Makal

Best Eye: Ramazan Makal

Best at Avoiding Ks: Javier Martinez

Fastest Speed: Maximo Gousto

Best Base Stealer: Maximo Gousto

Best Base Runner: Maximo Gousto

Best Infield Range: Maximo Gousto

Best Infield Arm: Maximo Gousto

Best Infield Glove: Maximo Gousto

Best at Turning DP: Maximo Gousto

Best Outfield Range: Sjoerd Baan

Best Outfield Arm: Jedidiah Marzuq

Best Outfield Glove: Matthew Berg

Best Catcher Blocking: Manuel Carrasco

Best Catcher Framing: Manuel Carrasco

Best Catcher Arm: Jesus Rivera

Best Stuff: Volkan Turkes

Best Movement: Harry Stewart

Best Control: Moananani Nana

Best Stamina: Ron Tighe

Best Fastball: Felipe Valdez

Best Sinker: Fernando Soto

Best Cutter: Yaman Abdul-Salam

Best Curveball: Abdul-Muhaimin bin Murtadi

Best Slider: Fernando Montoya

Best Splitter: Volkan Turkes

Best Changeup: Kaseem bin Idris