

1971 KANSAS CITY ROYALS

85-76 2nd
MGR Bob Lemon (#21)

DP: 311 to 341

Error: 351 to 355

| | BA | SB | W/K | HR | T | D | L | R | RNG | Def. | | |
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| Gail Hopkins #18 | .278 | 3 | MK | 121 | 122 | 142 | 246 | 246 | AR | 1B83 | | L R |
| "Cookie" Rojas #1 <u>Octavio</u> | .300 | 8 | | 113 | 114 | 133 | 262 | 254 | AAR | SD | 2B111, SS2, OF1(LF) | R R |
| Fred Patek #2 #37 | .267 | 49 | | 112 | 116 | 132 | 246 | 243 | S | SS147 | | R R |
| Paul Schaal #10 | .274 | 7 | PW | 114 | 116 | 136 | 246 | 245 | AR | 3B161 | | R R |
| Joe Keough #16 | .248 | 0 | MK | 112 | 113 | 126 | 234 | 236 | AR | OF100(<u>RF</u> /CF) | | L L |
| Amos Otis #26 | .301 | 52 | | 116 | 122 | 136 | 255 | 255 | S | SD/T-1 | OF144(CF) | R R |
| Lou Piniella #9 | .279 | 5 | | 111 | 113 | 131 | 251 | 246 | AR | | OF115(LF) | R R |
| Jerry May #12 | .252 | 0 | | 111 | 113 | 134 | 242 | 236 | SLO | | C71 | R R |
| Ed Kirkpatrick "Spanky" #8 | .219 | 3 | | 115 | 116 | 131 | 223 | 226 | AR | | OF61(LF/RF/CF), C59 | L R |
| Bob Oliver #33 | .244 | 0 | PK | 115 | 116 | 131 | 241 | 234 | AR | | 1B68, OF48(RF), 3B2 | R R |
| Bobby Knoop #19 | .205 | 1 | | 111 | 112 | 131 | 223 | 222 | AR | | 2B52, 3B1 | R R |
| Dennis Paepke #17 | .204 | 0 | | 113 | - | 126 | 222 | 222 | AR | | C32, OF17(RF) | R R |
| Chuck Harrison #7 | .217 | 0 | | 113 | - | 123 | 232 | 224 | AR | | 1B39 | R R |
| Bobby Floyd #5 #15 | .152 | 0 | PK | - | - | 124 | 166 | 162 | AR | | SS15, 2B8, 3B1 | R R |
| Sandy Valdespino #5 | .317 | 0 | MW | 121 | - | 154 | 261 | 263 | AR | LD | OF15(LF/RF) | L L |
| "Buck" Martinez #6 <u>John</u> | .152 | 0 | | - | - | 123 | 166 | 162 | SLO | | C21 | R R |
| Carl Taylor #44 + | .179 | 0 | PK | - | - | - | 215 | 212 | AR | | OF12(LF/RF) | R R |
| Rich Severson #15 | .300 | 0 | | - | 132 | - | 262 | 254 | AR | | 2B6, SS6, 3B1 | R R |
| Ted Savage #5 #7 X | .172 | 2 | | - | - | - | 212 | 211 | AAR | LD | OF9(RF/LF) | R R |
| Dick Drago | .130 | 0 | PK | - | - | 122 | 154 | 154 | SLO | | P35 | R R |
| Paul Splittorff | .104 | 0 | | - | - | 115 | 142 | 145 | SLO | | P22 | L L |
| Al Fitzmorris | .250 | 0 | PK | - | - | 115 | 236 | 236 | SLO | SD | P36 | B R |
| Tom Burgmeier | .250 | 0 | MW PK | - | - | 144 | 236 | 236 | SLO | | P67 | L L |
| Jim York | .118 | 0 | PK | 131 | - | 152 | 153 | 151 | SLO | | P53 | R R |
| Pitcher R | .110 | - | MW PK | 111 | - | 113 | 153 | 145 | SLO | | | |
| Pitcher L | .110 | - | MW PK | 111 | - | 113 | 145 | 146 | SLO | | | |

| | ERA | IP | W | K | G | GS | SV | | |
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| Dick Drago #41 | 2.98 | 241 | 123 | 631 | 35 | 34 | 0 | .130 | R R |
| Mike Hedlund #32 | 2.71 | 206 | 134 | 634 | 32 | 30 | 0 | .088 | R R "Red" |
| Paul Splittorff #25 #34 | 2.68 | 144 | 125 | 616 | 22 | 22 | 0 | .104 | L L |
| Bruce Dal Canton #30 #43 | 3.44 | 141 | 132 | 633 | 25 | 22 | 0 | .087 | R R |
| Al Fitzmorris #23 SD | 4.17 | 127 | 142 | 632 | 36 | 15 | 0 | .250 | B R |
| Ken Wright #28 | 3.69 | 78 | 152 | 563 | 21 | 12 | 1 | .091 | R R |
| Jim Rooker #14 | 5.33 | 54 | 141 | 621 | 20 | 7 | 0 | .000 | R L |
| Bill Butler #29 | 3.45 | 44 | 136 | 564 | 14 | 6 | 0 | .083 | L L |
| Wally Bunker #27 | 5.01 | 32 | 123 | 626 | 7 | 6 | 0 | .000 | R R |
| Jim York #40 | 2.89 | 93 | 144 | 523 | 53 | 0 | 3 | .118 | R R |
| Tom Burgmeier #22 | 1.73 | 88 | 134 | 623 | 67 | 0 | 17 | .250 | L L |
| Ted Abernathy #36 | 2.56 | 81 | 154 | 564 | 63 | 0 | 23 | .077 | R R |
| Roger Nelson #35 | 5.29 | 34 | 121 | 553 | 13 | 1 | 0 | .333 | R R "Spider" |
| Lance Clemons #27 | 4.13 | 24 | 143 | 555 | 10 | 3 | 0 | .286 | L L |
| Monty Montgomery #20 #43 | 2.11 | 21 | 121 | 614 | 3 | 2 | 0 | .000 | R R <u>Monty Bryson</u> |
| Mike McCormick #25 | 9.31 | 10 | 142 | 653 | 4 | 1 | 0 | .000 | L L |

This Royals ball club, in only its third season on the field, posted a winning record--the earliest of any major league expansion team in history up to that point in time. (The Arizona Diamondbacks broke the record in 1999 by winning the AL West Division in their second season.) A lefthanded hitter named GEORGE BRETT was drafted by the organization in the 1971 Amateur Draft...Amos Otis led the ball club with 15 home runs, 79 RBI, and 167 base hits. Paul Schaal was next with 11 homers and 63 RBI. Shortstop Freddie Patek was second with 158 hits and led the ball club with 86 runs scored. K. C. was seventh in the A.L. after hitting .250 for the season. They were LAST with 80 home runs but LED the league in stolen bases (130)...Dick Drago was the pitching staff's top winner with a 17-11 record, 109 strikeouts, 15 complete games, and four shutouts. Mike Hedlund won fifteen games and completed seven. Lefty Tom Burgmeier won nine out of the bullpen while reliever Jim York whiffed 103 batters. The staff led the A.L. in saves (44) and ended the year fifth in ERA (3.25). They also allowed the fewest homers in the league (84)...The Royals never led the AL West but reached a peak of 13 games over .500, September 22nd. The ball club was never more than three games BELOW the .500 mark. Kansas City finished sixteen games behind the Oakland A's.