

# 2008 KANSAS CITY ROYALS

75-87 4th

MGR Trey Hillman (#22)

## DP: 311 to 334

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	BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
Ross Gload #7	.273	3		112	113	131	245	245	AR		1B111, OF11( <u>LF</u> /RF)	L L
Mark Grudzielanek #15	.299	2		112	-	136	261	254	AR	SD	2B85	R R
Mike Aviles #30	.325	8	MW	115	121	143	265	264	AAR		SS91, 2B28, 3B7	R R
Alex Gordon #4	.260	9	PK	121	-	144	235	243	AAR		3B133	L R
Mark Teahen #24	.255	4	PK	116	122	142	241	241	AAR	T-1	OF119( <u>RF</u> /LF), 3B19, 1B14	L R
Joey Gathright #2	.254	21		-	111	113	236	241	S	SD	OF103(CF)	L R
David DeJesus #9	.307	11		115	122	136	254	261	AAR	SD	OF133( <u>LF</u> / <u>CF</u> /RF)	L L
John Buck #14	.224	0	PK	115	116	141	232	226	SLO		C107	R R
Billy Butler #16	.275	0		115	-	134	251	245	SLO		DH, 1B34	R R
Jose Guillen #11	.264	2		121	-	144	243	243	AR	T-1	OF109(RF/LF), DH	R R
Miguel Olivo #21	.255	7	MW PK	122	-	146	241	241	AR		C58, DH	R R
Esteban German #3	.245	7		-	113	135	235	235	AR		OF39(LF), 2B35, 3B6, DH, SS3	R R
Tony Pena #1	.169	3	MW	111	112	116	212	166	AR		SS94, P1	R R
Alberto Callaspo #13	.305	2	MK	-	113	125	263	255	AR		2B46, SS18, PH, OF3(LF), 3B1	B R
Mitch Maier #35	.286	0	MW	-	112	114	251	252	AR		OF34( <u>CF</u> /RF)	L R
Ryan Shealy #43	.301	0	PK	143	-	146	255	255	SLO		1B20	R R
Jason Smith #26	.214	0	MW PK	-	-	133	221	225	AR		PR, 2B9, DH, 3B5, PH, 1B1, OF1(LF)	L 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					
Gil Meche #55	3.98	210	134	552	34	34	0	.250	R R			
Zack Greinke #23	3.47	202	131	546	32	32	0	.286	R R			
Brian Bannister #19	5.76	183	132	615	32	32	0	.250	R R			
Luke Hochevar #44	5.51	129	134	622	22	22	0	.000	R R	(last name pronounced HO-chay-ver)		
Kyle Davies #28	4.06	113	135	614	21	21	0	.000	R R			
Brett Tomko #25 +	6.97	61	123	614	16	10	0	.000	R R			
Brandon Duckworth #31	4.50	38	144	623	7	7	0	.000	R R			
Ramon Ramirez #56	2.64	72	142	536	71	0	1	.000	R R			
Joakim Soria #48	1.60	67	132	532	63	0	42	.000	R R	"Jack"		
Ron Mahay #32	3.48	65	142	562	57	0	0	.000	L L			
Joel Peralta #57	5.98	53	126	565	40	0	0	.000	R R			
Juan Carlos Oviedo #46	2.98	48	132	621	45	0	0	.000	R R	aka Leo Nunez		
Rob Tejeda #51 LD X	3.20	39	145	523	25	1	0	.000	R R			
Yasuhiko Yabuta #27	4.78	38	141	612	31	0	0	.000	R R			
Jimmy Gobble #41	8.81	32	154	556	39	0	1	.000	L L			
John Bale #49	4.39	27	124	624	13	3	0	.000	L L			
Horacio Ramirez #52 +	2.59	24	112	625	15	0	0	.000	L L			
Jeff Fulchino #54	9.00	14	144	562	12	0	0	.000	R R			
"Kip" Wells #40 X	8.71	10	166	546	10	0	0	.000	R R	Robert Kip		
Josh Newman #63 X	7.71	7	162	645	4	0	0	.000	L L			

\*\*When Zack Greinke is a base-runner, his running rating is AR\*\*

Manager Trey Hillman had not been the Royals first choice to be the team's new skipper, but he was signed, nonetheless, to fill the position October 19, 2007, becoming the fifteenth field boss in franchise history. The Yankees had shown some interest in Hillman as well. The new year started off with a promising 9-6 record only to see K. C. fall below .500 April 20<sup>th</sup> and later come as close as six games under that mark on June 27<sup>th</sup>. A consecutive 12-game losing streak after being no-hit by Boston's Jon Lester in May doomed the season...Extra-talented Jose Guillen fell out of favor with his teammates and fans, respectively, after calling them all out for lack of effort on the field and the latter for constant booing and taunting. Guillen fell out of favor with Hillman, too, and later asked to be traded. A confrontation with a less-than-happy patron, August 26<sup>th</sup>, led to Guillen being restrained by fellow players and a coach. The fan was escorted to a different seat in the ballpark...The team showed some life in September with an 18-8 record to wrap up the season but a dismal 13 ½ games out of first place... Team leaders: Guillen (20 homers, 97 RBI, 42 doubles); David DeJesus (159 base hits); Alex Gordon (72 runs scored); starter Gil Meche (14 wins, 183 strikeouts); and Zach Greinke (13 wins, 183 K's). Joaquin Soria finished second in the A. L. in saves...Combined team stats for the year: .269 batting average, 120 home runs, and a pitching staff ERA of 4.48...Guillen DID return to the Royals for 2009.