

Bobby Witt Jr. drives in winning run in ninth as Royals defeat A's, 4-3

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. — A day after the Royals scored nine runs against the Athletics, the Kansas City offense took a minute to crank into full gear on Tuesday.

The Royals finished with eight hits, saving their best effort for the final innings. They trailed by two runs in the ninth, victimized by some unlucky breaks — including Vinnie Pasquantino coming up just short of sending a solo home run over the right-field wall at Kauffman Stadium.

Royals pinch-hitter Tyler Tolbert came through in the clutch, however. He hit a two-run single to tie the game 3-3 with one-out.

His efforts set up Royals star Bobby Witt Jr. to win it 4-3 on a walk-off RBI single with two away.

The Royals improved to 53-74 this season. It was the sixth walk-off win of the year and third straight victory overall.

Here's a recap of Tuesday's game:

A tough pair of A's

The Athletics relied primarily on the pitching duo of

Brady Basso and Jack Perkins in a de facto bullpen game Tuesday.

Basso faced nine batters and allowed two hits. He navigated his first trip through the Royals' lineup well enough and had some defensive help. KC catcher Carter Jensen was caught stealing in the third inning.

From there, Perkins pitched multiple scoreless innings. The Royals had a few chances, but a pair of double plays negated any real scoring threat.

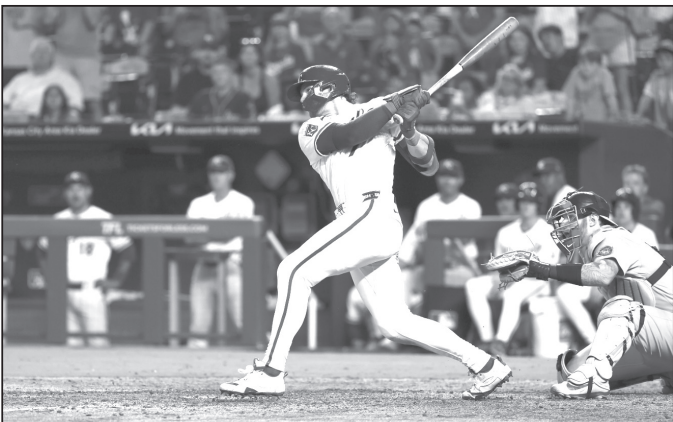
The Royals were 4 for 10 with runners in scoring position. And those silent bats didn't help left-handed starter Daniel Lynch IV.

Lynch made his third start since returning to the starting rotation. He allowed one run across four innings, walking two with a strikeout.

Prior to the game, Lynch was limited to 45-50 pitches. He was efficient within those restrictions as he continues to build up.

The Athletics tagged him for a first-inning run behind Tommy White's RBI single. But he settled down and retired the last 10 batters he faced before departing.

It remained a tight game



Bobby Witt Jr. of the Kansas City Royals hits a walk-off, game-winning single during the ninth inning to beat the Athletics, 4-3, at Kauffman Stadium on Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2026, in Kansas City, Missouri. **Jamie Squire | Getty Images | TNS**

into the middle innings. In the sixth, Royals reliever Mason Black allowed two runs to score. Athletics veteran Jeff McNeil hit an RBI single and Black walked designated hitter Max Muncy with the bases loaded.

The three-run deficit almost proved too much to overcome, but the Royals were not deterred.

Pasquantino puts Royals on the board

In the seventh, Pasquantino drove in the Royals' first run with a double. It was his first

RBI since July 21 against the San Francisco Giants.

He was left stranded, however, as Salvador Perez and Michael Massey were retired in order.

KC had another chance in the eighth, but Maikel Garcia flew out with the bases loaded.

Then Tolbert pulled through in the ninth inning, and Witt put the game away to send an announced crowd of 12,009 home happy.

The Royals improved to 31-30 this season inside the friendly confines of Kauffman Stadium.

Masyn Winn provides jolt in Cardinals' 3-0 victory vs. Reds

BY DANIEL GUERRERO
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

CINCINNATI — The two-out double Masyn Winn produced in the second inning against left-hander Andrew Abbott represented more than just the first spark of offense the Cardinals would receive Tuesday night against the Reds. It represented the start of one of Winn's most productive performances this season.

The Cardinals' Gold Glove shortstop collected three extra-base hits against Abbott — two doubles and a solo homer — that helped fuel a 3-0 win over Cincinnati at Great American Ball Park.

Winn, who set a season high in total bases with eight, reached base with his double in the second, hit a solo homer in the fifth inning and doubled with one out in the seventh to put him on base for Jose Fermin to drive him in on a double of his own. The Cardinals also received an insurance run in the eighth inning on a sacrifice fly from rookie Joshua Baez.

Winn's productive night allowed right-hander Kyle Leahy to exit his start with a lead after he tossed five scoreless innings. The runs added after Leahy was removed were enough of a cushion for relievers Ryne Stanek, Gordon Graceffo and Riley O'Brien to close out the win.

Each reliever provided one inning of work. O'Brien's inning earned him his 32nd save of the season.

With the Cardinals watching his workload, Leahy delivered five scoreless innings, struck out six and did not issue a walk in a 90-pitch effort. Leahy scattered three hits in his start and collected a strikeout in four of the five innings he appeared in to lower his ERA to 3.24 over a career-high 122 1/3 innings.

Winn gets to Abbott

The first two hits the Cardinals collected versus the Reds starter came from Winn.

And while both were extra-base hits, only one of the two led to a run.

Winn hit a double to center field against Abbott with two outs in the second inning to get the Cardinals in the hit column and then lifted his homer to left with one out in the fifth. The homer elevated the Cardinals to a 1-0 lead and represented the first homer the Cardinals shortstop has hit off a lefty this year.

While his first extra-base hit did not lead to a run, it did create an opportunity for the Cardinals to get an early run against the Reds starter.

Winn's double placed runners on second and third base after Elly De La Cruz's throwing error on a grounder by Blaze Jordan extended the inning. The double by Winn brought up Fermin, who entered Tuesday with a .262 batting average against lefties.

In the Cardinals' first chance to hit with runners in scoring position, Fermin fell into an 0-2 count two pitches into the at-bat. The at-bat ended on the third pitch he saw, which he grounded to De La Cruz.

Getting to the lefty again

The Cardinals shortstop continued his success against Abbott in the seventh inning. This time, it came in the form of a one-out double that set up Fermin with another chance to drive him in.

This time, Winn worked a 2-0 count by laying off a pair of secondary pitches Abbott left well out of the strike zone. He took a change-up for a strike before unloading on a sweeper placed below the strike zone. Winn pulled Abbott's 2-1 sweeper down the left field line with a 105-mph exit velocity, per Statcast. Third base umpire Nic Lentz ruled the ball fair but with a little bit of a delayed call.

Winn raced to second base and dove in head-first to collect his third extra-base hit of the game. Two pitches later, he raced home on a double Fermin lifted into the left-field corner.

Fermin's double chased Abbott from his

start and led to the entrance of right-hander Zach Maxwell. The Cardinals continued to threaten in the seventh but had to settle for the one run on Fermin's double.

Pedro Pages blooped a single just out of De La Cruz's reach to set up a chance with runners on the corners after Fermin had to hold off on breaking from third base. The chance evaporated with a strikeout from JJ Wetherholt and a grounder from Ivan Herrera that resulted in a force out.

Leahy's effective 5

Across the five scoreless innings he twirled Tuesday night, Leahy leaned mostly on his fastball and curveball to keep the Reds scoreless. Those two pitches combined for seven of the 13 whiffs he got, but it was the right-hander's slider that led the way in strikeouts.

Leahy used his slider to get swinging strikeouts in the first inning against JJ Bleday and Eugenio Suarez that allowed him to work around a one-out single. After his fastball, change-up and sinker were put-away pitches for the next three strikeouts that followed, he turned to the slider once more to finish his fourth frame.

Having shown Tyler Stephenson five different pitches during their encounter in the fourth, Leahy reared back for a 90.1-mph slider that broke off the outer half of the plate for an inning-ending strikeout of the Reds catcher.

Walks don't lead to runs

Patient at-bats following Winn's homer created another run-scoring opportunity for the Cardinals. After Winn scored Tuesday's first run, Fermin and Pages saw a combined 10 pitches that drew two walks with the top of the Cardinals lineup looming.

The chance, however, ended without Fermin or Pages advancing.

Facing Abbott for a third time, Wetherholt elevated a 92.1-mph fastball to center field for an out. And in the next at-bat, Herrera chased an 0-2 sweeper to strike out for the second time against Abbott.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
CASE MGI-2023-PR-000020
DENNIS W. HEATH, DECEASED

NOTICE OF HEARING
THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
You are notified a petition has been filed in this Court by Vickie S. Ainesworth, duly appointed, qualified and acting administrator of the estate of Dennis W. Heath, deceased, requesting that petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the estate be assigned to the persons entitled to it pursuant to the laws of intestate succession; fees and expenses be allowed; costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the estate be closed; the administrator be discharged and petitioner be released from further liability.
You are required to file your written defenses to the petition on or before August 27, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the District Court, Judicial Center, Montgomery County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS
CIVIL DEPARTMENT
NewRez LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
Bryce Atkinson, et al.
Defendants,
Case No.MGC-2025-CV-00003

Court No.
Title to Real Estate Involved Pursuant to K.S.A. §60-1101, et seq.
NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Montgomery County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Montgomery County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand on September 3, 2026 at the time of 2:00 PM at the Montgomery County Courthouse, Kansas, the following real estate:

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August 13, 20, 27, 2026

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Defendants.

Case No.: MGI-2026-CV-000029
Division No.
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Montgomery County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Montgomery County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand at 02:00 PM on August 27, 2026, at the Main Door of the Montgomery County Courthouse for the following real estate located in the County of Montgomery, State of Kansas, to wit:
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BY BLAIR KERKHOFF
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The Chiefs' unofficial depth chart lists the top four running backs like this: Ken Walker, Emari Demercado, Emmett Johnson and Brashard Smith.

But after Walker, things have gotten a little blurry with recent activity.

Demercado, who spent his first three seasons with the Arizona Cardinals, had run with the second team in many training camp drills. But he didn't play until the fourth quarter against the L.A. Rams on Saturday — his first action came on a kick return.

Johnson, the fifth-round draft pick from Nebraska, was the Chiefs' bell cow Saturday, with 12 carries for 59 yards. He

also had a rushing touchdown called back by penalty.

His 35 snaps were the most by a Chiefs back, followed by Smith's 17. Demercado had five, fewer than Jaydn Ott's nine.

Smith, the team's lone returning running back from last season, had the second-highest workload against the Rams: eight attempts for 21 yards, plus two receptions. He was the first back in the game after Walker started and played one snap.

Johnson started out Monday's practice by taking the second-team snaps, but Demercado was in that position for the individual period. On Tuesday, Johnson and Demercado was the order after Walker in the run-period rotation.

"Obviously, there's a lot of competition in the room," offensive coordinator Eric Bienemy said.

Walker, who wears uniform No. 9, is the leader, and as Smith put it Tuesday, "K9 is a dawg." The Super Bowl MVP who came to Kansas City from the Seattle Seahawks upgrades the position from last season's Isiah Pacheco-led attack that ranked 25th in the NFL.

But the rest of the pecking order provides depth, and the early indication is that each running back on the chart will get his opportunities.

Head coach Andy Reid has singled out each of the backs over the past couple of weeks — to the point that how the Chiefs have them slotted in practice provides no clear in-

dication of the actual depth chart.

That will reveal itself over the team's next two preseason games, at the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Saturday and at home against the Seattle Seahawks on Aug. 28.

The 2026 Chiefs are a team that shows every sign of a re-emphasized running game — their combined 125 rushing yards against L.A. on Saturday would have been their sixth most in a game last season.

And they have options after Walker, situations and personnel that could be determined by a play-call or particular matchup as the competition heats up.

"It's a real good battle right now," Smith said. "We've got a lot of guys in there, all fighting."