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2023 NCBWA STOPPER OF THE YEAR MIDSEASON WATCH LIST ANNOUNCED

DALLAS – As the final month of the 2023 collegiate season approaches, 56 of the sport's top relief pitchers were named to the Midseason Watch List for the 18th annual National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Stopper of the Year award, members of the association announced Wednesday. Relievers who are not on the midseason list still have an opportunity to be named a finalist for the award.

Eighteen of the 56 players were on the preseason watch list, released in February, including Ryan Brown (Oregon State, 8 saves), Jack Collins (Binghamton, 5), Cade Denton (Oral Roberts, 9), Triston Dixon (Texas State, 5), Stephen Halstead (North Florida, 6), Will Johnston (Texas A&M, 4), Jacob King (UC Irvine, 6), Trevor Long (Arizona, 4), Nick Maldonado (Vanderbilt, 4), Nolan McLean (Oklahoma State, 6), Simon Miller (UTSA, 8), Camden Minnaci (Wake Forest, 8), Josh Mollerus (Oregon, 4), William Privette (Charleston, 5), Jay Thompson (Georgia Southern, 7), Andrew Walters (Miami, Fla., 5), Jay Woolfork (Virginia, 5) and Jack Zalasky (Sacramento State, 8). Denton, Privette and Walters were finalists for the honor in 2022.

Jacksonville's Chris Lotito, a newcomer to the list, leads the nation with 12 saves in 19 2/3 innings pitched. Wake Forest's Minnaci, Rider's Danny Kirwin and Memphis' Dalton Kendrick rank second nationally with 10 saves.

There are 24 conferences on the list with the Southeastern Conference leading the way with eight relief pitchers. The Atlantic Coast Conference and the Pac-12 Conference follow with seven selections. The Big 12 and Conference USA each have four apiece. In all, 10 of the 24 conferences have multiple selections.

The NCBWA will announce the finalists on Wednesday, June 7 with the winner being named on Friday, June 16 at the 2023 College World Series.

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2023 NCBWA Preseason Stopper of the Year Watch List (as of 4.26.23)

RELIEF PITCHERS (56)

Player	School	Class	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kyle Amendt	Dallas Baptist	R-Jr.	1.06	0-1	15	0	0	9	17.0	10	3	2	10	37
Micah Ashman	Utah	So.	1.37	1-2	15	0	0	6	26.1	20	9	4	3	28
Hudson Barrett	UC Santa Barbara	Fr.	0.72	4-0	15	1	0	4	37.2	20	3	3	16	54
Ethan Bates	Louisiana Tech	Jr.	2.42	3-1	15	0	0	7	22.1	20	7	6	5	29
Ryan Brown	Oregon State	R-So.	2.25	3-1	16	0	0	8	20.0	10	5	5	4	16
Terry Busse	Georgia Tech	So.	3.99	1-2	16	2	0	7	29.1	24	15	13	15	39
Will Canon	Auburn	So.	4.64	2-1	15	2	0	4	33.0	29	19	17	21	31
Garrett Clarke	Southern California	R-Sr.	1.08	2-2	18	0	0	5	25.0	15	7	3	11	19
Jackson Cleveland	Lamar	So.	2.27	3-4	19	1	0	7	31.2	29	16	8	9	33
Jack Collins	Binghamton	Sr.	5.02	1-2	15	0	0	5	14.1	14	8	8	10	20
Alton Davis II	Alabama	Fr.	2.57	0-0	15	0	0	5	21.0	15	6	6	7	21
Cade Denton (1)	Oral Roberts	Jr.	1.40	1-1	19	0	0	9	38.2	31	6	6	7	47
Nate DeYoung	Milwaukee	Sr.	2.16	0-0	9	0	0	8	8.1	4	2	2	5	18
Jacob Dobmeier	Portland	R-So.	3.45	3-1	16	1	0	7	28.2	25	11	11	7	18
Triston Dixon	Texas State	Sr.	3.92	3-1	20	0	0	5	39.0	37	18	17	14	34
Kevin Eaise	North Carolina	Gr.	2.68	2-3	17	1	0	5	37.0	23	13	11	15	45
Garrett Edwards	LSU	Jr.	1.93	4-0	10	0	0	1	23.1	16	5	5	5	27
Wesley Franklin	Mercer	Jr.	4.74	0-1	13	0	0	8	24.2	28	16	13	7	29
Chase Grillo	Washington State	R-Jr.	6.43	1-1	18	0	0	6	14.0	18	10	10	7	23
Ryan Hagenow	Kentucky	Jr.	1.10	2-0	13	0	0	1	16.1	7	2	2	6	24
Stephen Halstead	North Florida	Sr.	2.50	1-0	14	0	0	6	18.0	11	5	5	15	14
Tommy Hopfe	Fresno State	Jr.	5.28	0-0	14	0	0	8	15.1	17	9	9	5	14
Will Johnston	Texas A&M	Jr.	4.94	3-1	17	0	0	4	23.2	14	13	13	15	37
Dalton Kendrick	Memphis	Jr.	3.66	1-3	20	0	0	10	32.0	20	13	13	10	43
Jacob King	UC Irvine	R-Jr.	4.84	1-0	18	0	0	6	22.1	14	13	12	11	33
Danny Kirwin	Rider	Gr.	1.82	5-1	18	0	0	10	34.1	17	9	7	22	49
Kyle Kramer	UCF	Sr.	1.73	2-1	19	0	0	8	26.0	14	6	5	8	39
Landon Kruer	Navy	So.	4.19	0-0	14	0	0	8	19.1	18	13	9	12	18
Connor Langrell	Bradley	Gr.	2.57	1-1	13	0	0	8	14.0	9	7	4	11	22
Trevor Long	Arizona	Jr.	4.91	2-3	20	0	0	4	25.2	40	17	14	6	18
Chris Lotito	Jacksonville	R-So.	3.66	1-0	19	0	0	12	19.2	14	8	8	9	30
Nick Maldonado	Vanderbilt	Sr.	1.57	1-1	15	0	0	4	23.0	10	4	4	6	29
Nolan McLean	Oklahoma State	Jr.	1.35	1-1	9	0	0	6	13.1	10	3	2	6	17
Simon Miller	UTSA	Jr.	1.20	7-0	19	0	0	8	45.0	38	11	6	12	61
Camden Minacci	Wake Forest	So.	3.21	0-0	14	0	0	8	14.0	16	6	5	4	18
Josh Mollerus	Oregon	Sr.	0.87	0-0	8	0	0	4	10.1	5	1	1	4	15
Tyson Neighbors	Kansas State	So.	0.89	3-1	18	0	0	7	30.1	11	4	3	7	55
Brandon Neely	Florida	So.	4.68	0-1	17	0	0	7	25.0	25	16	13	11	40
Ben Petschke	Samford	Jr.	5.34	3-2	19	0	0	7	32.0	35	23	19	24	34
William Privette* (1)	Charleston	Jr.	1.16	2-1	16	0	0	5	31.0	16	5	4	14	48
Carlson Reed	West Virginia	Jr.	1.08	2-0	16	0	0	4	25.0	20	6	3	11	36
Joshua Romero	CSUN	Jr.	3.60	0-0	15	0	0	8	15.0	11	7	6	7	16
Andrew Roman	Boston College	Gr.	0.96	2-0	16	0	0	8	28.0	22	3	3	4	21
Wyatt Rush	Michigan State	Sr.	3.00	2-0	17	0	0	7	27.0	26	10	9	5	30
Kelena Sauer	San Diego State	Jr.	3.57	0-2	18	1	0	8	22.2	20	11	9	10	28
Mitchell Scott	Kent State	Gr.	1.14	1-1	20	0	0	9	31.2	14	4	4	11	45
Teddy Sharkey	Coastal Carolina	Jr.	2.86	4-1	16	0	0	6	28.1	25	14	9	15	43
James Tallon	Duke	Fr.	1.27	1-0	15	0	0	10	21.1	10	3	3	6	35
Jay Thompson	Georgia Southern	Sr.	4.35	3-2	20	0	0	7	31.0	34	17	15	4	29
Andrew Walters* (1)	Miami (Fla.)	Jr.	1.48	3-0	16	0	0	5	24.1	15	4	4	4	44
Aaron Weber	Oklahoma	So.	7.90	0-2	15	0	0	7	13.2	11	12	12	11	18
CJ Weins	Western Kentucky	Gr.	3.97	0-2	20	0	0	6	22.2	13	10	10	6	30
Kyle Wisch	Southern California	R-Jr.	2.08	1-0	20	0	0	4	21.2	13	5	5	9	28
Jay Woolfolk	Virginia	So.	2.61	2-0	17	0	0	5	20.2	12	8	6	13	23
Chris Veach	South Carolina	R-So.	1.53	1-0	14	0	0	4	17.2	8	4	3	8	25
Jack Zalasky	Sacramento State	Sr.	3.97	2-1	18	0	0	8	22.2	14	10	10	8	32

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