

Royals lose to the Rays 2-1

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Paul Wilson had no doubts.

The former first-round pick, injured for much of the past four years, allowed one run and five hits in seven innings in his second start of the season as the Tampa Bay Devil Rays beat the Kansas City Royals 2-1 Thursday night.

"I'm feeling very strong," said Wilson, who missed all of last season after elbow surgery.

Wilson, in his longest major league outing since Sept. 20, 1996, struck out three and walked one. He threw just 88 pitches.

"He pitched well," said Kansas City's Johnny Damon, who faced Wilson in high school. "His fastballs were in decent spots, but his offspeed pitches were what really helped him out."

The right-hander, acquired in a four-player deal with the New York Mets on July 29, also missed parts of the 1997 and '98 seasons because of shoulder surgery.

"You'd have to be crazy not to be excited when you see how he pitches and the stuff he has," Tampa Bay manager Larry Rothschild said. "We just

need to keep him healthy."

Steve Cox, who went 3-for-3, opened the eighth with a walk off Jeff Suppan (7-8).

Pinch-runner Jason Tyner stole second with one out and went to third on Fred McGriff's grounder. Bobby Smith, mired in a 1-for-27 slump, doubled to center field.



"I think Bobby likes to hit in those situations ... with the game on the line," Rothschild said. "He is one of those guys that has pretty good at-bats in that situation."

Tony Fiore (1-0) worked a scoreless eighth to get his first major league win. Roberto Hernandez

got the final three outs for his 28th save in 34 opportunities.

Suppan gave up two runs and seven hits in 7 2/3 innings. It was just his second loss in seven decisions since the All-Star break.

He's been great since the All-Star break," Damon said. "Unfortunately, some nights the offense has to sleep. We didn't show up tonight."

The Royals, who had a three-game winning streak snapped, scored 57

runs in their previous eight games.

Tampa Bay has won 13 of the last 16 meetings between the two teams.

Todd Dunwoody's sacrifice fly in the second inning gave the Royals a 1-0 lead. The Devil Rays tied it in the sixth when Smith hit into a double play with the bases loaded.

Kansas City's Mike Sweeney had his 16-game hitting streak stopped after going 0-for-2. He also walked and was hit by a pitch.

The game took 2 hours, 30 minutes. Tampa Bay has played seven straight games in under three hours.

Notes: Tampa Bay has won three of four despite scoring just 10 runs.

Suppan entered allowing an AL-leading 32 home runs.

Fiore plans to give the game ball to his parents in Chicago.

Tampa Bay OF Greg Vaughn, limited to DH duties since Aug. 7 by a right shoulder injury, has just eight hits in 61 at-bats. He will have shoulder examined by Dr. James Andrews before Friday's game.

Damon was the DH, which allowed Dunwoody to start in center. "I've been trying to get Dunwoody in the lineup," Royals manager Tony Muser said. "We're going to take a look at a lot of people."

Damon has a hit in 24 of his last 25 games.



Goodland hosts first cross country meet

The Goodland High School Cross Country team ran at their first invitational held Thursday afternoon at the Sugar Hills Country Club near Goodland. Rebecca Gattshall (above), a sophomore, ran towards the finish line in the freshman/sophomore girls race. She was followed by another Goodland sophomore, Wendy Keith. Chelsea Phillips (left), a Goodland freshman, ran in the same race.

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Chiefs look to rookie players

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — If Peyton Manning takes dead aim at Eric Warfield on Sunday on his very first play of the season, he may beat Kansas City's nervous young cornerback.

Rest assured, however, he will not catch him off-guard.

"I wouldn't be surprised if the first play comes my way, a deep play," said Warfield, who has replaced the released Cris Dishman as the starting left cornerback. "I'm expecting that to happen. They know they have a young guy out there, making that transition and he's just starting."

The Indianapolis Colts, coming off a 13-3 season and sporting three of the NFL's brightest offensive stars, were 3 1/2-point favorites over a Kansas City team that was 0-4 in exhibition games and will have at least five new starters on defense.

Adding even more inexperience to the secondary, rookie Greg Wesley was expected to start at strong safety.

Stopping the Colts' high-octane trio



of quarterback Manning, running back Edgerrin James and wide receiver Marvin Harrison could prove a tall order.

"But we have enough experience playing. I don't think it will be a major issue," said linebacker Lew Bush. "We've gotten better every time we've been out. I just look forward to going out there as a group, as a team."

To Bush falls the task of replacing Derrick Thomas, the Chiefs' nine-time Pro Bowl linebacker. One of the league's great pass-rushers, Thomas died in February of injuries sustained in an auto accident.

A big tribute to him was planned before the game, including a military flyover and career highlights played on the giant video board.

The Thomas tribute will probably pump even greater emotion into the players, as well as the sellout crowd of nearly 80,000.

"I expect that," said Indianapolis coach Jim Mora. "It will be an emotional pregame tribute which is certainly well deserved. It's just something we're going to have to deal with."

Unlike the Chiefs, who finished 9-7 and out of the playoffs last season, the

Colts have almost every starter back from their 13-3 team.

And yes, Manning knows the Chiefs will have a first-year starter at left cornerback, as well as possibly a rookie at strong safety.

"Maybe in college something like that comes into play," said Manning, who passed for 4,135 yards and 26 touchdowns last year.

One worry about Warfield is his tendency to lose his cool after giving up a big play.

Warfield has no doubt the Colts are aware of that.

But Manning insists he's thinking nothing of the sort, of course.

"In the NFL, these guys were all top draft choices and they're good football players," he said. "You can't get into that too much, no matter who you're playing against. You have to execute."

Another factor could be weather. The heat wave that's been baking Midwest was not expected to let up in time for the game.

Temperatures at kickoff could be around 100.

Second-year coach Gunther Cunningham has had the Chiefs working out almost daily in the extreme heat, thinking it could perhaps provide an edge over a Colts team that plays its home games in an air-conditioned dome.

"We have no choice but to be ready," said Manning. "We're very aware it's going to be hot."

"Hopefully, this is where all the weight training and all the running we've been doing pays off."

baseball scoreboard

By The Associated Press

National League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	79	54	.594	—
Atlanta	79	55	.590	1/2
Florida	64	68	.485	14 1/2
Philadelphia	56	76	.424	22 1/2
Montreal	55	75	.423	22 1/2
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	75	58	.564	—
Cincinnati	67	66	.504	8
Chicago	58	75	.436	17
Milwaukee	58	75	.436	17
Houston	55	78	.414	20
Pittsburgh	53	79	.401	21 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	76	56	.576	—
Arizona	73	59	.553	3
Los Angeles	70	64	.522	7
Colorado	68	65	.511	8 1/2
San Diego	65	69	.485	12
Wednesday's Games				
Chicago Cubs 5, San Diego 1				
Arizona 7, Montreal 0				
St. Louis 4, Florida 2				
San Francisco 2, Pittsburgh 0				
Atlanta 5, Cincinnati 2				
N.Y. Mets 1, Houston 0				
Colorado 5, Philadelphia 4, 11 innings				
Milwaukee 3, Los Angeles 2				
Thursday's Games				
San Francisco 10, Pittsburgh 2				
Milwaukee 8, Los Angeles 2				
San Diego 11, Chicago Cubs 5				
Cincinnati 4, Atlanta 3				
Only games scheduled				
Friday's Games				
Montreal (Hermanson 10-11) at Cincinnati (R. Bell 5-7), 5:05 p.m.				
Atlanta (Burkett 8-5) at Houston (Lima 5-15), 6:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (B.J. Jones 8-5) at St. Louis (Stephenson 15-7), 6:10 p.m.				
Milwaukee (Snyder 3-6) at Colorado (Astacio 11-8), 7:05 p.m.				
Florida (Sanchez 8-9) at Arizona (Anderson 10-5), 8:05 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Serafini 1-3) at San Diego (Williams 8-5), 8:05 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Wolf 10-7) at Los Angeles (Valdes 2-6), 8:10 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Wood 6-6) at San Francisco (Gardner 9-6), 8:35 p.m.				
Saturday's Games				
N.Y. Mets (Hampton 13-7) at St. Louis (Kile 15-9), 11:15 a.m.				
Milwaukee (D'Amico 10-5) at Colorado (Bohanon 8-9), 1:05 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Quevedo 2-6) at San Francisco (Estes 12-4), 2:05 p.m.				
Montreal (Moore 1-4) at Cincinnati (Villone 9-7), 5:05 p.m.				
Atlanta (Maddux 14-8) at Houston (Elarton 15-4), 6:05 p.m.				
Florida (Dempster 11-9) at Arizona (Schilling 10-9), 8:05 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Ritchie 6-7) at San Diego (Clement 12-12), 8:05 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Chen 6-2) at Los Angeles				

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American League				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	74	56	.569	—
Boston	69	61	.531	5
Toronto	70	63	.526	5 1/2
Baltimore	60	73	.451	15 1/2
Tampa Bay	59	74	.444	16 1/2
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	79	54	.594	—
Cleveland	70	60	.538	7 1/2
Detroit	66	66	.500	12 1/2
Kansas City	62	71	.466	17
Minnesota	59	74	.444	20
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	72	61	.541	—
Oakland	69	63	.523	2 1/2
Anaheim	68	65	.511	4
Texas	59	74	.444	13
Wednesday's Games				
Kansas City 8, Minnesota 7				
Chicago White Sox 8, Oakland 3				
Tampa Bay 3, Boston 1				
Baltimore 5, Detroit 1				
Cleveland 5, Texas 3				
N.Y. Yankees 5, Seattle 4				
Toronto 11, Anaheim 2				
Thursday's Games				
Tampa Bay 2, Kansas City 1				
Detroit 6, Baltimore 1				
Texas 14, Cleveland 7				
Only games scheduled				
Friday's Games				
Texas (Helling 14-9) at Detroit (Sparks 5-2), 5:05 p.m.				
Baltimore (Ponson 7-9) at Cleveland (Finley 10-10), 5:05 p.m.				
Oakland (Mulder 7-10) at Toronto (Hamilton 1-0), 5:05 p.m.				
Minnesota (Radke 10-13) at N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 10-10), 5:05 p.m.				
Seattle (Halama 11-6) at Boston (Arrojo 3-1), 5:05 p.m.				
Kansas City (Meadows 2-2) at Tampa Bay (Rupe 5-5), 5:15 p.m.				
Anaheim (Schoeneweis 6-7) at Chicago White Sox (Lowe 3-1), 6:05 p.m.				
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Baltimore (Rapp 6-10) at Cleveland (Co-				
lon 12-8), 11:05 a.m.				
Seattle (Garcia 4-4) at Boston (R. Martinez 8-6), 11:15 a.m.				
Oakland (Heredia 13-9) at Toronto (Traschel 7-11), 2:05 p.m.				
Kansas City (Reichert 8-6) at Tampa Bay (Rekar 5-9), 2:15 p.m.				
Minnesota (Milton 12-7) at N.Y. Yankees (Neagle 4-4), 2:35 p.m.				
Texas (Rogers 11-12) at Detroit (Blair 9-4), 3:05 p.m.				
Anaheim (Mercker 1-2) at Chicago White Sox (Parque 10-6), 5:05 p.m.				
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Oakland at Toronto, 11:05 a.m.				
Kansas City at Tampa Bay, 11:15 a.m.				
Anaheim at Chicago White Sox, 12:05 p.m.				

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