



THE KING RETURNS.

NLCS GAME 2 | MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2026 | DODGERS AT BREWERS | 2:00 PM PT | FOX / FS1

GAME 1: A LOSS, NOT A FUNERAL

Milwaukee 2, Los Angeles 1. The Dodgers struck first when Andy Pages singled home Shohei Ohtani in the second, but left the bases loaded. Brice Turang tied it with a fourth-inning homer, and rookie Luis Lara delivered the go-ahead single in the fifth after a walk and sacrifice bunt.

Tarik Skubal: 5 IP, 5 H, 2 ER, 7 K. Jacob Misiorowski: 4 1/3 IP, 5 H, 1 ER, 5 K, 3 BB. Milwaukee relievers shut the door for 4 2/3 innings.

The Dodgers reached base repeatedly, but three double plays and missed opportunities made one run feel inevitable. One run was never going to cut it. Onward.

TODAY: YOSHINOBU YAMAMOTO vs. LOGAN HENDERSON

Series: Brewers lead 1-0. One game does not end a seven-game series. But going back to Los Angeles tied 1-1 sounds a whole lot better than down 0-2.

READER THOUGHT: The bats will figure it out... or they will not. Nothing you can do about it. Except watch. And maybe pace.



THE PITCHING DUEL

YAMAMOTO: THE OCTOBER STOPPER

Yamamoto held Atlanta to one run over seven innings with 10 strikeouts in the NLDS. He threw a complete game against Milwaukee in Game 2 of the 2025 NLCS, then another in the World Series. His postseason record makes him exactly the pitcher you want after a loss.

HENDERSON: DO NOT MISTAKE HIM FOR THE EASY ONE

Logan Henderson held San Diego to one earned run in five NLDS innings. He features a highly effective changeup and an excellent fastball. In August, he outpitched Skubal at Dodger Stadium with seven strong innings. Milwaukee keeps finding young arms who refuse to behave like rookies.

THE 2-0 TRAP

Historically, only 16 of 95 teams trailing 2-0 in a best-of-seven series have rallied to win. It is not an elimination game. It is, however, a very good day to stop leaving traffic on the bases.

BULLPEN WARNING

Milwaukee relievers own a 0.38 ERA through their first five postseason games. DL Hall, Abner Uribe, Aaron Ashby and Trevor Megill are making late innings feel like a locked refrigerator.



OFFICIAL LINEUPS + STAT LINES

NLCS GAME 2 | OCTOBER 12, 2026 | STATS FROM PROVIDED MLB LINEUP

YAMAMOTO | RHP | 1-0, 1.29 ERA, 10 K

HENDERSON | RHP | 0-0, 1.80 ERA, 4 K

LOS ANGELES DODGERS						
BATTER / POS	B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	OPS
1. Betts SS	R	0	0	0	.250	.650
2. Freeman, F 1B	L	0	0	0	.250	.500
3. Hernandez, T LF	R	0	0	0	.500	1.000
4. Ohtani DH	L	0	0	0	.333	.833
5. Smith, W C	R	0	0	0	.000	.250
6. Muncy 3B	L	0	0	0	.250	.500
7. Pages, A CF	R	0	1	0	.250	.500
8. Tucker RF	L	0	0	0	.000	.500
9. Edman 2B	S	0	0	0	.000	.000

MILWAUKEE BREWERS						
BATTER / POS	B	HR	RBI	SB	AVG	OPS
1. Chourio, J LF	R	0	0	0	.500	1.000
2. Turang 2B	L	1	1	0	.500	2.667
3. Contreras, Wm C	R	0	0	0	.000	.250
4. Bauers 1B	L	0	0	0	.333	.833
5. Yelich DH	L	-	-	-	-	-
6. Mitchell CF	L	0	0	0	.000	.250
7. Pratt SS	R	0	0	0	.000	.000
8. Frelick RF	L	-	-	-	-	-
9. Hamilton, D 3B	L	-	-	-	-	-

B = batting side; HR = home runs; RBI = runs batted in; SB = stolen bases.
AVG and OPS reflect the small-sample stats displayed in the supplied lineup.
A dash indicates a stat not provided in the source, not necessarily zero.

THE READER ANGLE

Teoscar bats third, Smith fifth, and Edman starts at second.
Milwaukee counters with Yelich, Frelick, and Hamilton in the starting nine.



WHO IS HOT? WHO NEEDS COFFEE?

DODGERS WATCHLIST

Andy Pages: Knocked in the lone Game 1 run and has supplied the club's rare postseason hits with runners in scoring position.

Kyle Tucker: Two Game 1 walks, still consistently finding ways aboard.

Will Smith: Entered Game 2 at 1-for-19 this postseason. Time for a reset.

Shohei Ohtani: A single and walk in Game 1; still waiting for the signature October swing.

BREWERS WATCHLIST

Brice Turang: Broke a cold spell with a tying homer off Skubal.

Luis Lara: The unlikely Game 1 hero with the go-ahead RBI single.

Brewers bullpen: The hottest unit in the series, and perhaps the postseason.

THE READER MISSION

Count the number of Dodgers who reach scoring position, then count how many score. Not every run needs to arrive on a souvenir baseball.

If the lineup gets a runner to third with fewer than two outs, the Reader formally requests a sacrifice fly. We are not picky.



A LITTLE OCTOBER HISTORY

REMEMBER 2025?

In last year's NLCS, the Dodgers swept Milwaukee in four games. Yamamoto delivered a complete-game victory in Game 2, allowing one run. That memory is comforting, but it does not put a run on today's scoreboard.

THE MILWAUKEE WAY

In Game 1, Milwaukee showed both sides of its offense: a Turang home run and then a classic walk, bunt and single. The Brewers are perfectly happy to win a game without a fireworks show.

READER TRIVIA

1. Which Dodger drove in the team's only run in NLCS Game 1?
2. Who homered for Milwaukee?
3. Which Dodger threw a complete game against the Brewers in the 2025 NLCS?
4. What is the name of Milwaukee's former ballpark that closed after 2000?

Answers: 1. Andy Pages. 2. Brice Turang. 3. Yoshinobu Yamamoto. 4. Milwaukee County Stadium.

FINAL THOUGHT

Nothing good ever came easy. Now go make Game 2 uncomfortable for the home team.



ENJOY IT, THEN GO ABOUT YOUR DAY.

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