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NCBWA ANNOUNCES 2022 STOPPER OF THE YEAR MIDSEASON WATCH LIST

DALLAS – With the final month of the 2022 collegiate baseball season looming, 62 of the sport's top relief pitchers were named to the Midseason Watch List for the 17th 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 62 players were on the preseason watch list, released in February, including Tyler Braithwaite (West Virginia, 5 saves), Will Brian (Eastern Kentucky, 12), Blake Burkhalter (Auburn, 11), Holden Christian (Arizona, 5), Noah Dean (Old Dominion, 5), Zach Franklin (Western Carolina, 3), Stephen Halstead (North Florida, 5), Payton Harris (Alabama State, 3), Jacob Meyer (Evansville, 4), Cam Minacci (Wake Forest, 5), Aaron Nixon (Texas, 4), Jake Pecilunas (Towson, 4), Jared Rine (Kennesaw State, 6), Kolby Somers (Oregon, 7), Dale Stanavich (Rutgers, 8), Redmond Walsh (Tennessee, 5), Andrew Walters (Miami, Fla., 12) and Chris Villaman (NC State, 7).

Belmont's Kyle Brennan is one of the newcomers featured on this list. The senior leads the nation with 13 saves in 21 1/3 innings pitched. Eastern Kentucky's Will Brian (1.88 ERA/12 saves) and Miami's Andrew Walters (0.38 ERA/12 saves) are tied for No. 2 on the NCAA list. Other relievers with double-digit saves at this point of the season include: Auburn's Blake Burkhalter (11), Eastern Illinois' Zane Robbins (10), Grand Canyon's Vince Reilly (10), McNeese's Cameron Foster (10), TCU's River Ridings (10) and UC Santa Barbara's Ryan Harvey (10). Walters holds the best ERA amongst the double-digit saves leaders with a 0.38 mark through 23 2/3 innings pitched.

There are 20 conferences represented on the list with the Southeastern Conference leading the way with seven relief pitchers. The American Athletic Conference, ASUN Conference, Atlantic Coast Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference and Pac-12 Conference each had five selections. The ACC and Conference USA followed with four apiece. In all, 16 of the 20 conferences have multiple selections.

The NCBWA will announce the finalists on Wednesday, June 8 with the winner being named on Friday, June 17 at the 2022 College World Series.

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2022 NCBWA Midseason Stopper of the Year Watch List (as of 4.27.22)

RELIEF PITCHERS (61)

Player	School	Class	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chase Allen	Michigan	So.	3.63	5-0	17	3	0	3	44.2	41	23	18	13	41
Chandler Arnold	Dallas Baptist	Jr.	3.62	1-1	14	3	0	8	27.1	29	11	11	10	33
Trey Braithwaite	West Virginia	r-Sr.	1.08	2-0	16	0	0	5	25.0	9	4	3	13	26
Kyle Bischoff	Michigan State	Gr.	2.16	2-1	15	0	0	8	25.0	24	11	6	9	24
Will Brian-3	Eastern Kentucky	Sr.	1.88	1-0	21	0	0	12	24.0	5	5	5	11	33
Kyle Brennan	Belmont	Sr.	4.64	1-3	21	0	0	13	21.1	16	11	11	7	18
Blake Burkhalter	Auburn	Jr.	2.87	4-1	20	0	0	11	31.1	17	12	10	7	48
Holden Christian	Arizona	Sr.	3.74	2-2	17	2	0	5	21.2	17	11	9	14	27
Kyle Crigger	Louisiana Tech	Sr.	1.23	3-1	22	0	0	8	41.1	32	8	6	6	46
Noah Dean	Old Dominion	So.	3.72	2-1	12	0	0	5	19.1	11	8	8	9	37
Zach DeVito	Tulane	So.	3.91	3-1	18	0	0	9	23.0	17	10	10	12	36
Jake Drew	North Dakota State	Sr.	0.00	2-0	13	0	0	6	14.2	7	2	0	2	17
Ethan Flanagan	UCLA	Fr.	1.88	3-0	18	1	0	2	38.1	28	8	8	15	50
Cameron Foster	McNeese	r-Sr.	1.14	3-1	21	0	0	10	39.1	17	7	5	11	54
Zach Franklin	Western Carolina	r-Jr.	2.37	3-1	12	2	0	3	38.0	31	12	10	9	45
Jack Gowen	Georgia	Sr.	1.57	1-0	18	0	0	8	23.0	12	4	4	10	35
Tyler Guilfoil	Kentucky	Jr.	1.84	0-1	15	0	0	4	29.1	18	6	6	11	51
Payton Harris	Alabama State	Sr.	2.35	3-2	20	0	0	3	46.0	32	18	12	28	41
Landon Harper	Southern Miss	So.	1.78	1-1	18	0	0	8	25.1	18	6	5	4	27
Ryan Harvey	UC Santa Barbara	So.	4.50	0-2	15	1	0	10	18.0	22	12	9	6	26
Stephen Halstead	North Florida	Sr.	4.37	2-3	14	0	0	5	22.2	23	13	11	7	32
Brady Hill	San Jose State	r-So.	4.58	1-1	17	0	0	9	17.2	14	10	9	12	17
Carson Hobbs	Samford	So.	3.48	1-2	15	1	0	7	20.2	12	8	8	7	23
Cade Hungate	Liberty	Jr.	2.92	2-0	12	0	0	6	12.1	13	4	4	3	10
Dalton Kendrick	Memphis	So.	4.75	2-2	15	2	0	7	36.0	31	19	19	16	44
Luke Llewellyn	Iowa	R-So.	2.46	1-1	11	1	0	3	11.0	5	5	3	11	9
Trevor Long	Arizona	So.	0.73	3-0	19	0	0	4	24.2	18	3	2	6	21
Trevor Martin	Oklahoma State	So.	3.45	1-2	21	2	0	9	28.2	19	12	11	13	45
Reid McLaughlin	BYU	Jr.	3.38	1-2	18	0	0	7	18.2	21	12	7	6	20
Jacob Meyer	Evansville	Jr.	2.25	0-0	8	0	0	4	12.0	8	4	3	10	18
Trevin Michael	Oklahoma	Gr.	2.16	15-1	0	0	0	6	33.1	22	9	8	13	48
Camden Minacci	Wake Forest	So.	1.72	2-2	21	0	0	5	31.1	22	7	6	10	45
Hunter Mink	South Florida	r-So.	3.49	2-1	15	0	0	8	28.1	25	11	11	12	31
Aaron Nixon-1	Texas	So.	3.09	1-2	18	0	0	4	23.1	13	9	8	20	31
Davis Palermo	North Carolina	So.	2.43	1-1	22	0	0	2	33.1	20	11	9	14	44
Jake Pecilunas	Towson	Gr.	1.99	1-2	17	0	0	4	22.2	18	9	5	5	15
William Privette	Charleston	So.	0.86	3-0	17	0	0	8	41.2	25	9	4	13	55
Michael Prosecky	Louisville	Jr.	2.70	2-0	16	0	0	7	23.1	14	9	7	15	30
Blake Purnell	Florida	r-Fr.	2.29	3-3	23	0	0	4	35.1	31	10	9	9	31
Dalton Rhadans	Wofford	Sr.	3.27	5-2	26	0	0	9	55.0	52	20	20	8	58
Vince Reilly	Grand Canyon	Jr.	3.13	5-1	20	0	0	10	23.0	19	9	8	9	22
Noah Rennard	Michigan	Jr.	3.00	4-1	18	2	0	3	42.0	50	16	14	11	50
Andrew Reitmeyer	Houston Baptist	Sr.	2.55	2-2	20	0	0	8	17.2	12	6	5	9	25
Jared Rine	Kennesaw State	Jr.	3.81	3-0	14	0	0	6	26.0	20	13	11	16	21
River Ridings	TCU	So.	3.24	2-2	18	0	0	10	16.2	21	9	6	8	17
Zane Robbins	Eastern Illinois	Jr.	4.50	1-1	19	0	0	10	18.0	16	9	9	11	32
Tristen Roehrich	North Dakota State	So.	2.19	4-1	11	0	0	5	37.0	28	13	9	18	41
Nick Sando	Santa Clara	So.	1.48	4-2	15	2	0	4	42.2	22	11	7	17	61
Thomas Schultz	Vanderbilt	Jr.	1.71	2-1	15	0	0	6	21.0	12	4	4	4	26
Ben Sears	Houston	Jr.	2.79	6-2	21	0	0	8	42.0	38	13	13	3	32
Carter Spivey	East Carolina	Jr.	2.60	3-0	21	1	0	3	45.0	40	17	13	9	50
Kolby Somers	Oregon	Sr.	2.78	4-2	18	0	0	7	22.2	20	9	7	11	29
Dale Stanavich	Rutgers	r-Jr.	1.33	0-2	16	0	0	8	20.1	12	5	3	4	35
Tristan Stivors	Texas State	Sr.	1.80	5-1	20	0	0	9	35.0	26	10	7	6	50
Collin Taylor	UAB	r-Sr.	2.65	1-0	16	0	0	8	17.0	11	5	5	4	15
Alonzo Tredwell	UCLA	Fr.	2.25	1-0	13	0	0	2	20.0	13	6	5	4	34
Jay Thompson	Georgia Southern	Jr.	3.72	4-2	26	0	0	6	48.1	46	23	20	15	36
Brady Tygart	Arkansas	Fr.	1.59	1-1	13	0	0	6	22.2	17	4	4	7	30
Redmond Walsh	Tennessee	Gr.	0.84	2-0	16	0	0	5	21.1	11	2	2	3	24
Andrew Walters	Miami (Fla.)	r-So.	0.38	0-0	17	17	0	12	23.2	7	1	1	4	47
Chris Villaman	NC State	So.	4.55	3-2	17	0	0	7	31.2	31	20	16	9	54
Tyler Vogel	Jacksonville	r-So.	1.08	3-0	17	0	0	8	25.0	18	5	3	15	31

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