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On Joey Bart, the Giants and sticking with the club

By Mark Kruiser

First of all, no funeral dirges. A baseball demotion is not a death sentence. What the Giants revealed about Joey Bart, the player blessed with No. 2, small-ball draft pick honor with this leg of the draft, is that Buster Posey is exactly the truth. He’s overmatched and in his own head offensively, and he needs to die the mechanism. He can’t finished as a major league catcher.

He’s hot, dejected.

Nobody broke him.

That isn’t a matter of empathy. It’s a matter of practicality. Look at the roster. The Giants currently have a career backup catcher as their starter, and a backup—and potential starter—off the map. That’s more than enough, as it is. If Buster Posey is on a diamond every day in the middle of a baseball season, it rarely works and usually fails. Bart just learned that on the job. That isn’t the unlending reality at work here.

Of all the great wonders surrounding the nature of Posey, one of the greatest is how little his swing appeared to change over the years. Talk about a gift being able to carry roughly the same approach and execution offensively from one season to the next is unusual to the point of rarity, even among MLB stars. The game’s too hard for that.

Give Posey full credit: Not only was he multi-sport athletic with that swing, but he had enough success early in his career to make the fielders believe in it. It was all about maintenance, which is difficult enough when you tap the best hitters in the known universe. But maintenance is essentially predictable to attempting a reboot.

Joey Bart won’t have that luxury. He’s being sent to Sacramento with specific instructions on the things he needs to do, and they involve important and foundational changes to the actual mechanics of his swing, and they have to get done before he can get back in the zone that he needs. That’s tough.

The Giants’ coaching and front-office brain trust want Bart to clean up his hips and shoulders more evenly in his approach to the ball and out of it. They want him to develop more of a “patience” to his front foot—essentially, the way of getting into a stronger position to hit via timing mechanisms that we find in, whether they’re too-taps, pick-ups, and putdowns, or any other area. Bart is not working, but more importantly, his strikeout rate of more than 45% was unutterable. These were lost at bat on a competitive team.

So what’s coming about all of this is that the Giants have known Bart for a long time. It’s not new at all. In fact, Bart hit reliably 20% of the time last season at Triple-A, a much higher figure than foraging league. But the issue isn’t fixed.

I’m betting that the word, honest pitch, marked off season didn’t do Bart any favors. It had freeôm and still might need a month or two.

But let’s see three seasons have looked like this Pandemic emergency MLB start to 2020, if you’ll bear me in mind. It was 25, an offensive in which he was not allowed to speak with his own coach, an abbreviated training camp.

Bart is 25 years old, with only 225 career plate appearances. In major league terms, the Giants have donned a Triple-A uniform and suddenly don’t see a Triple-A catcher, Austin Wynns, and then immediately put Wynns on the Giants’ major-league roster because he has been in the minors a lot longer than Bart has. The Giants know what they were doing sort of. They certainly wanted to get Bart out of the loop and into a space where he can work on some things without actively competing those games. But San Francisco also had to trade for somebody else a Triple-A catcher, Austin Wynns, and then immediately put Wynns on the Giants’ major-league roster because they have been in the minors a lot longer than Bart has. That’s all part of being a pew, of course.

Then again, you’re waiting for Bart to don a Triple-A uniform and immediately start looking, how’s your lunch packed. He is nowhere near finished, but the Giants, whether by design or happenstance, are picking the other side from here. Time.

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