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# OAKLAND ATHLETICS (13-10) VS. MILWAUKEE BREWERS (14-11-1)

THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017 – HOHOKAM STADIUM – 1:05 P.M. MST

A'S WEBCAST

ABOUT THE A'S: Have won back-to-back games after losing six of the previous seven contests...are now 13-10 (.565), which is the second best record in the Cactus League to Seattle (15-11, .577)...the 13 wins are one more than last spring when Oakland went 12-17-3 (.422)...that was the fifth worst record in the Cactus League ... it marked the first time the A's finished Spring Training with a losing record since 2011 when they went 12-21-1...have gone homerless in five consecutive games and have 23 home runs for the spring, which is third fewest in the CL...are tied for the second fewest stolen bases (12) but have the fourth most doubles (52).. have committed just 17 errors, which is tied with Minnesota for second fewest in the majors (Washington, 14)...last spring, the A's committed 45 errors, which was six more than any other team (39, Chicago-NL)...have turned just 16 double plays, which is the fewest in the CL and third fewest in the majors...the pitching staff is tied for the third fewest home runs allowed in the CL (21) but has the fourth highest ERA (5.44)...are 6-4 in onerun games and six of the A's 10 losses have been by two runs or fewer... are 7-5 at Hohokam and 6-5 on the road...this is the A's 49th Spring Training in Arizona, their third since returning to Mesa in 2015 after a 36-year absence...after training in Bradenton, Florida in 1968, the A's came west to Arizona in 1969 and trained in Mesa from 1969-78...moved to Scottsdale in 1979 and then spent 33 seasons at Phoenix Municipal Stadium from 1982-2014... are scheduled to play 34 games this spring plus an exhibition game against Italy's World Baseball Classic club...the total includes 31 games in Arizona and three in the Bay Area against the Giants (March 30-April 1).

**YESTERDAY:** The A's defeated the White Sox at Camelback Ranch, 5-3... Oakland scored twice in each of the first two innings as Stephen Vogt had a two-run double in the first and Matt Joyce added a two-run single in the second...Andrew Triggs blanked Chicago on one hit over the first four innings and ended up allowing two runs in 5.0 innings for the win (3 h, 0 bb, 4 so)...Ryan Madson allowed a run in the sixth inning to make the score 4-3 but Santiago Casilla (1.0 ip) and Frankie Montas (2.0 ip) closed out the game with scoreless relief...Ryon Healy added a sacrifice fly in the seventh inning to complete the A's scoring...Healy and Vogt had two hits each.

**A's vs. BREWERS:** This is the first of two meetings between the A's and Brewers this spring...meet again in Maryvale on Sunday...the two clubs met just once last spring and played to an 8-8 tie at Mesa on March 5... Oakland is 2-0-2 against Milwaukee over the previous two springs.

PLAYER NOTES: Yonder Alonso had his third multiple hit game Tuesday night at Seattle and is now is 10-for-25 (.400) with five walks over his last 11 games after going 1-for-6 (.167) with three walks over his first four contests...is tied for seventh in the Cactus League in walks (8)...is batting .346 (28-for-81) over the last two springs ... Mark Canha is tied for ninth in the CL in doubles (5)...has appeared in six games in right field, three in left field and three in center field ... Matt Chapman (NR) is 0-for-7 with four strikeouts over his last two games after going 7-for-16 (.438) over his previous 12 contests...is tied for fourth in the CL in triples (2)...*Khris Da-vis* is 7-for-21 (.333) over his last seven games after going 2-for-15 (.133) over his first six contests... Rajai Davis has three stolen bases in his last four games and five for the spring, which is tied for second in the CL...has hit safely in each of his last five games (5-for-15, .333) after going 5-for-24 (.208) over his first nine contests... Alejandro De Aza (NR) is 3-for-20 (.150) over his last 10 games after going 5-for-12 (.417) over his first six contests...has appeared in 10 games in left field and nine in center field... *Jaff Decker (NR)* has not played since March 17 (oblique)...has appeared in nine games in center field, six in left field and two in right field ... Ryon Healy has back-to-back multiple hit games (4-for-5) and is 7-for-14 (.500) with two doubles and two home runs over his last five contests...is tied for the CL lead with 14 RBI (O'Brien, KC)...also ranks second in slugging (.795), tied for seventh in home runs (4) and total bases (31) and 10th in batting (.359)...has appeared in six games at first base, four at designated hitter and four at third base...*Matt Joyce* is tied for the CL lead in walks (10)...is 1-for-14 with four walks over his last six games...Ryan Lavarnway (NR) is 1-for-5 (.200) with a double in five games since returning from the World Baseball Classic ... started all six games for Israel in the WBC and hit .444 (8-for-18) with five walks, two doubles, one home run and six RBI...earned Pool A MVP honors after going 5-for-9 (.556) with four walks, a home run and three RBI in three games in Seoul...Jed Lowrie is 7-for-21 (.333) over his last seven games after going 2-for-10 (.200) over his first five contests...is batting .338 (26-for-77) over the last two springs... Bruce Maxwell had his first two-hit game Tuesday night at Seattle and is now 4-for-9 (.444) over his last five games after going 2-for-21 (.095) over his first 11 contests... Chris Parmelee (NR) had his second two-hit game Tuesday night at Seattle and is now 7-for-11 (.636) over his last 10 games

after starting the spring 1-for-14 (.071)...has appeared in nine games in right field, six at first base and two in left field...*Josh Phegley* went 2-for-2 Monday night against Arizona after going 1-for-9 (.111) with six strikeouts over his previous four games...*Trevor Plouffe* had his third two-hit game Tuesday night at Seattle after going 1-for-12 (.083) over his previous four games...*Adam Rosales* had his first two-hit game Tuesday night at Seattle after going 1-for-12 (.083) over his previous four games...*Adam Rosales* had his first two-hit game Tuesday night at Seattle and is 5-for-15 (.333) over his last six games after going 1-for-16 (.063) over his first eight contests...has appeared in nine games at shortstop and five at second base...*Marcus Semien* is 1-for-13 over his last five games after hitting safely in each of his previous four contests (6-for-11, .545)... *Stephen Vogt* had his third two-hit game yesterday at Chicago (AL) and is 7-for-21 (.333) with five doubles over his last seven games...is tied for ninth in the CL in doubles (5)...*Joey Wendle* has not played since March 7 (right shoulder)...is 2-for-6 (.333) over his last two games after going 1-for-8 (.125) over his first five.

**IN CAMP:** The A's have 40 players in camp...the total includes 32 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and eight non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 20 pitchers, four catchers, nine infielders and seven outfielders...began the spring with 70 players in camp, which were the A's most players in camp since 1982 when they had 78 (35 roster, 43 non-roster).

**THE STARTING ROTATION:** A's Manager Bob Melvin today named Kendall Graveman as the Opening Day starting pitcher for Monday, April 3 against Los Angeles (AL)...first pitch is at 7:05...Graveman is scheduled to become Oakland's 11th different Opening Day starting pitcher in the last 12 years...Melvin also announced that Sean Manaea will start on Tuesday, April 4, and Jharel Cotton will face the Angels on Wednesday, April 5.

**CONTRACT STATUS:** The A's have four players under contract beyond the 2017 season...Santiago Casilla, Sean Doolittle, Matt Joyce and Ryan Madson are signed through 2018 with the A's holding club options on Doo-little for 2019 and 2020...Jed Lowrie has a club option for 2018.

**OFF SEASON MOVES:** The A's signed five free agents this offseason, including Matt Joyce (Nov. 30), Rajai Davis (Jan. 3), Trevor Plouffe (Jan. 18), Santiago Casilla (Jan. 20) and Adam Rosales (Jan. 25)...the A's also acquired one 40-man player via trade on Nov. 12 when they received Paul Blackburn from Seattle for Danny Valencia.

A's MEDIA ALERTS: The A's Media Relations Department will provide frequent updates through its media-only Twitter account...for clubhouse hours, interview times and other media alerts, please follow @AsMediaAlerts...player transactions and other relevant game information will continue to be posted at @Athletics.

A's ON THE AIR: The A's radio network has five remaining broadcasts this spring, including two games this weekend and all three games against San Francisco in the Bay Area...four of those will air in the Bay Area on 95.7 FM The Game and the March 31 game at San Francisco will air on 102.9 FM KBLX...Ken Korach returns for his 22nd year in the broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (12th) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 32nd season in the booth...Comcast SportsNet California has one remaining broadcast on April 1 against the Giants in Oakland (12:05 pm)...Glen Kuiper joins Fosse in the broadcast booth for that telecast...all games not broadcast over the air can be heard live via the club's web site...in addition, four remaining games will be televised by MLB Network...one of those will air in the Bay Area: Mar. 24 vs. Chicago-AL (delayed to Mar. 25 at 6:00 AM PDT).

TRANSACTIONS									
March 5	Michael Brady, Trey Cochran-Gill, Heath Fillmyer, Tucker Healy, Aaron Kurcz, A.J. Puk and Josh Smith reassigned to minor league camp								
March 12	Renato Nuñez optioned to Nashville; Jermaine Curtis, Felix Doubront, Andrew Lambo, Richie Martin, Max Muncy, Zach Neal, Rangel Ravelo, Josh Rodriguez, Tyler Sturdevant and Kenny Wilson reassigned to minor league camp								
March 13	Paul Blackburn, Jaycob Brugman, Yairo Muñoz and Bobby Wahl optioned to Nashville								
March 17	Franklin Barreto, Matt Olson and Chad Pinder optioned to Nashville								
March 19	Daniel Gossett, Matt McBride, Sean Murphy, Max Schrock and Chris Smith reassigned to minor league camp								

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# TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

#### STARTING PITCHER #50 RAUL ALCANTARA RHP (0-1, 4.91 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his sixth appearance and third start of the spring... has allowed seven runs in his last three outings (9.2 ip, 6.52 ERA) after surrendering one over his first two (1.80 ERA)...made both his Triple-A and Major League debuts in 2016 ... started the season at Double-A Midland, was moved up to Triple-A Nashville July 21 and was promoted to Oakland Sept. 5...went 1-3 with a 7.25 ERA and .333 opponents batting average in five starts with the A's...surrendered nine home runs in 22.1 innings, an average of 3.63 per nine innings...based on a minimum of 20 innings pitched, that was the third highest average in the American League and second highest in Athletics history to Dillon Overton, who had a mark of 4.44 in 2016...his opponents batting average broke down to .306 against left-handed hitters compared to .364 against right-handers...combined for a 9-6 record and a 3.58 ERA in 25 starts with Midland and Nashville... tied for fifth in the A's farm system in wins and tied for eighth in strikeouts (105)...walked 30 batters in 135.2 innings (1.99 per nine innings)...allowed a .266 opponents batting average, including .256 against left-handed hitters compared to .273 against right-handers.

ALCANTARA'S 2017 SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES													
Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	н	R	ER	BB	SO	HR		
*Feb. 25	at Chicago (NL)	3-4	-	0.00	2.0	1	0	0	0	1	0		
*March 2	Texas	5-1	-	1.80	3.0	1	1	1	1	2	0		
*March 7	at Arizona	21-13	-	4.15	3.2	4	3	3	1	1	0		
March 12	Chicago (NL)	9-8	-	4.76	2.2	5	2	2	1	1	1		
March 17	Arizona	2-3	L	4.91	3.1	4	2	2	2	1	0		
Totals (5 games, 2 starts)				4.91	14.2	15	8	8	5	6	1		
*indicates r	elief appearance												

## #71 SIMON CASTRO RHP (1-0, 0.00 ERA)

The non-roster invitee has not allowed a run in eight outings this spring (6.0 ip), including his last appearance Tuesday night at Seattle (1.1 ip, 3 h, 1 bb, 1 so)...opponents are 4-for-22 (.182) with one walk...spent the entire 2016 season at Triple-A Albuquerque in the Colorado organization and was 0-5 with 10 saves and a 3.38 ERA in a career-high 50 appearances, all in relief...the saves were the first of his career and the ERA was his lowest as a minor leaguer since logging a 3.27 ERA in 2010...struck out 58 batters in 53.1 innings, an average of 9.79 per nine innings...walked just 12 for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 4.83...allowed a .255 opponents batting average, including .217 against right-handed hitters compared to .303 against left-handers...surrendered four of his five home runs to lefties and yielded just three extra base hits to righties (two doubles, one home run)... had a .261 slugging percentage against righties, .528 against lefties. converted 10-of-13 (76.9%) save opportunities...posted a 4.22 ERA in 31 games before the All-Star Break, a 2.11 ERA in 19 games after the break. pitched for Este in the Dominican Winter League following the season and had a save and a 2.84 ERA in 10 relief appearances

## #35 DANIEL COULOMBE LHP (0-2, 9.39 ERA)

Tossed 2.0 scoreless innings in his last outing Sunday at Colorado (2 so) after allowing at least one run in each of his first five appearances (12.71 ERA)...opponents are 11-for-32 (.344)...was 3-1 with a 4.53 ERA and .216 opponents batting average in 35 games over five stints with the A's last year...struck out 54 batters in 47.2 innings (10.20 per nine innings)...his opponents average included a .208 mark by right-handed hitters compared to .227 by left-handers...allowed five of his six home runs and issued 14 of his 17 walks to righties...had a .557 OPS against lefties, .692 against righties...first batters faced hit .156 with two walks (.200 on-base percentage) and a double (.188 slugging percentage)...allowed 3-of-12 (25.0%) inherited runners to score...had a .255 opponents average over his first 15 pitches in a game, .148 after that...had no decisions, a 1.08 ERA and .200 opponents batting average in 20 relief appearances for Triple-A Nashville...did not allow a home run in 25.0 innings and struck out 35 (12.6 per nine innings)...allowed a .179 batting average against left-handed hitters compared to .216 against right-handers...opponents hit .111 with runners in scoring position.

### #48 ROSS DETWILER LHP (1-1, 9.39 ERA)

The non-roster invitee has allowed at least three runs in two of his last three outings (8 er in 3.2 ip, 19.64 ERA) after allowing no runs and just one hit over his first four outings (4.0 ip)...took the loss in his last outing Monday night against Arizona (0.2 ip, 3 h, 5 r, 5 er, 2 bb)...was on the Cleveland Indians Opening Day roster in 2016 but finished the season with the A's. in between, he combined for a 6-4 record and a 4.40 ERA in 16 games, 15 starts, with Triple-A Columbus and Triple-A Nashville...had no decisions and a 5.79 ERA in seven relief appearances with Cleveland and was 2-4 with a 6.14 ERA in nine games (seven starts) with Oakland...combined for a 6.10 ERA in 16 big league games overall...struck out 26 batters in 48.2 innings for a career-low average of 4.81 strikeouts per nine innings... was 2-3 with a 4.70 ERA and .283 opponents batting average in his seven starting assignments, 0-1 with an 11.32 ERA and .340 opponents average in nine relief appearances...allowed 1-of-4 (25.0%) inherited runners to score and first batters faced were 2-for-8 (.250) with a walk...opponents hit .296, including .237 by left-handed hitters and .311 by right-handers.

## UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 23 vs. Milwaukee Brewers: RHP Junior Guerra

#### March 24 vs. Chicago (AL)

A's: RHP Kendall Graveman, RHP Ryan Dull, RHP Simon Castro White Sox: LHP Carlos Rodon, RHP Anthony Swarzak, RHP Jake Petricka, LHP Matt Purke

#### March 25 vs. Cincinnati

A's: LHP Sean Manaea Reds: LHP Amir Garrett, LHP Lucas Luetge

## March 25 at Los Angeles (NL)

A's: RHP Jesse Hahn Dodgers: LHP Rich Hill

#### March 26 at Milwaukee

A's: RHP Jharel Cotton

Brewers: RHP Matt Garza, RHP Corey Knebel, RHP Jhan Marinez, RHP Taylor Jungmann

## 2017 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

							HOME								HOME
DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.
Feb. 25	at Chicago (NL)	L, 3-4	0-1	Berg	C.Smith	14,929		March 16	at Cleveland	L, 5-6	10-7	McAllister	Triggs	6,314	
Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL)	L, 3-5	0-2	Miller	Kurcz	4,072	4,072	March 17	Arizona	L, 2-3	10-8	Bradley	Alcantara	8,210	60,694
Feb. 27	at San Francisco	W, 5-4	1-2	Castro	Suarez	7,385		March 18	San Diego	W, 2-1	11-8	Dull	Lee	7,303	67,997
Feb. 28	Cleveland	W, 5-4	2-2	J.Smith	Russell	3,108	7,180	March 19	at Colorado	L, 2-9	11-9	Gray	Hahn	8,682	
March 1	at San Diego	L, 0-5	2-3	Bawcom	Coulombe	1,864		March 20	Arizona	L, 6-10	11-10	Wilhelmsen	Detwiler	7,412	75,409
March 2	Texas	W, 5-1	3-3	Hahn	Hauschild	3,326	10,506	March 21	at Seattle	W, 8-5	12-10	Cotton	Heston	8,080	
March 3	San Francisco	W, 6-1	4-3	Graveman	Samardzija	a 8,203	18,709	March 22	at Chicago (AL)	W, 5-3	13-10	Triggs	Gonzalez	3,895	
March 4	Cleveland	L, 5-15	4-4	Clevinger	Manaea	6,707	25,416	DATE	OPPONENT	T	IME RADI	O/TV			
March 5	at Seattle	W, 5-4	5-4	Detwiler	DeJong	6,639		March 23	Milwaukee	1	1:05				
March 6	OFF DAY				-			March 24	Chicago (AL)	1	1:05 MLBN	1			
March 7	at Arizona	W, 21-13	6-4	Dull	Bradley	8,208		March 25	Cincinnati	1	1:05 95.7 F	M The Game	e/A's Radio	Network	
March 8	Italy (WBC) (exhib.)	W, 7-0		Graveman	Oberto	3,204			at Los Angeles (NL)	1	1:05				
March 9	Cincinnati	W, 12-5	7-4	Manaea	Adelman	4,779	30,195	March 26	at Milwaukee	1	1:05 95.7 F	M The Game	e/A's Radio	Network	
March 10	at Kansas City	W, 11-7	8-4	Cotton	Hammel	6,507		March 27	Kansas City	1	1:05				
March 11	Texas	W, 8-7	9-4	Shore	Wolff	6,072	36,267	March 28	at Los Angeles (AL)	1	1:05				
March 12	Chicago (NL)	W, 9-8	10-4	Montas	Pugliese	10,606*	46,873	March 29	at Chicago (NL)	1	1:05				
March 13	at Cincinnati	L, 1-3	10-5	Garrett	Graveman	3,075		March 30	at San Francisco	7	7:15 95.7 F	M The Game	e/A's Radio	Network	
March 14	Colorado	L, 3-4	10-6	Estevez	Coulombe	5,611	52,484	March 31	at San Francisco	7	7:15 102.9	FM KBLX/A'	s Radio Ne	twork	
March 15	OFF DAY							April 1	San Francisco (at O	ak) 12	2:05 CSNC	CA/95.7 FM T	he Game/A	's Radio N	etwork