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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (16-17) VS. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS (18-16)

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2017 – OAKLAND COLISEUM – 12:05 P.M. PDT A'S RADIO NETWORK (95.7 FM THE GAME) — CSNCA

ABOUT THE A'S: Have lost five straight and seven of the last eight games...the losing streak matches the A's longest over the last six springs...have not lost more than five straight since dropping the final six games of 2011... are 16-17 overall and need a win today to avoid posting a losing record in back-to-back springs for the first time since 2010-11...went 12-17-3 (.422) last spring, which was the fifth worst record in the CL...it marked the first time the A's finished Spring Training with a losing record since 2011 when they went 12-21-1...have allowed 67 runs in the last eight games (61 er in 67.0 ip, 8.19 ERA) and have a 5.93 ERA overall, which is second highest in the majors (Cincinnati, 6.13)...logged a 6.10 ERA last spring, which was second highest by an A's team during the spring since at least 1990 (6.22 in 1999)...have surrendered just 35 home runs, which is fifth fewest in the CL...have issued the fifth most walks (119) and have the second fewest strikeouts (239)...the offense ranks fourth in the CL in walks (131) and on-base percentage (.353) and tied for fourth in triples (11)...however, have the fewest stolen bases in the CL and third fewest in the majors (14)...have struck out 290 times, which is fourth most in the CL and the most by an A's team during the spring since at least 1990 (previous: 248 in 2009)...have turned just 23 double plays, which is the fewest in the CL and third fewest in the majors...went 9-7 at Hohokam and are 7-10 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 lost at San Francisco, 2-1...Jharel Cotton started for Oakland and allowed just one run in four innings of work, a Brandon Crawford home run in the second inning...Cotton yielded five hits, walked one and struck out two but ended up with a no decision when the A's tied the game in the eighth inning on a Jaff Decker RBI double...Santiago Casilla, Ryan Madson and Sean Doolittle followed Cotton with a scoreless inning of relief each but Ryan Dull allowed a run in the bottom of the eighth for the loss.

A's vs. GIANTS: This is the fifth and final meeting between the A's and Giants this spring...Oakland won the first game at Scottsdale on Feb. 27 by a score of 5-4, and the second game in Mesa on March 3, 6-1...lost both games in San Francisco on Thursday (3-0) and Friday (2-1)...the A's went 4-2 last spring, winning one game in Mesa, two in Scottsdale and one in Oakland...the two losses came in San Francisco...Oakland is now 19-8 over its last 27 spring games against the Giants...have a nine-game winning streak against San Francisco in Arizona (five at Scottsdale, four at Mesa).

PLAYER NOTES: Yonder Alonso is 18-for-46 (.391) with four home runs and 12 RBI over his last 19 games...ranks third in the Cactus League in on-base percentage (.484), tied for fourth in walks (12), sixth in batting (.365) and 10th in slugging (.635)...leads the A's in hits (19) and is tied for the lead in runs scored (12)...is batting .353 (36-for-102) over the last two springs...Mark Canha is 0-for-15 over his last six games...has played center field in seven of his last 10 games and eight times overall...also has six games in right field, four in left field and three at designated hitter...is batting .186 (19-for-102) over the last two springs... Matt Chapman (NR) is 5-for-14 (.357) with a double, two home runs and four RBI over his last six games...is tied for fourth in the CL in triples (2)...leads the A's in games played (26) and is tied for the lead in triples...*Khris Davis* went 0-for-3 yesterday in his first game since March 22...is now 7-for-24 (.292) over his last eight games after going 2-for-15 (.133) over his first six contests... Rajai Davis went 0-for-3 last night to snap his nine-game hitting streak (11-for-29, .379)...leads the A's and is tied for second in the CL in stolen bases (6)...*Jaff Decker (NR)* is 3-for-9 (.333) with two doubles and two walks in five games over the last five days...prior to that, had not played since March 17 (oblique)...is tied for the team lead in doubles (6)...has appeared in 10 games in left field, 10 in center field and two in right field... Ryon Healy is 2-for-23 (.087) over his last eight games...has 16 RBI, which are tied for fourth in the CL and are the most by an Athletic during the spring since 2010 when Kevin Kouzmanoff also had 16...is also tied for eighth in the CL in home runs (5)...leads the A's in home runs, RBI and total bases (36)...has appeared in nine games at first base, seven at third base and six at designated hitter... Matt Joyce is 1-for-13 over his last five games and 3-for-30 (.100) over his last 12 contests...walked three times last Sunday against Cincinnati and now has a team-leading 14 walks for the spring, which is tied for the CL lead (DeShields, TEX)...those are the most walks by an Athletic during the spring since Daric Barton had 22 in

2010... Andrew Lambo (minors) was originally a non-roster invitee before being reassigned to minor league camp March 12...had two hits Wednesday at Chicago (NL), including a three-run home run...Ryan Lavarnway (NR) is 6-for-16 (.375) in 12 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 13-for-39 (.333) over his last 13 games after going 2-for-10 (.200) over his first five contests... Richie Martin (minors) was originally a non-roster invitee before being reassigned to minor league camp March 12...is 8-for-17 (.471) over his last nine games ... Matt McBride (minors) was originally a non-roster invitee before being reassigned to minor league camp March 19...went 2-for-3 with his first home run Wednesday at Chicago (NL) after going 1-for-9 (.111) over his first seven games...Chris Parmelee (NR) is 8-for-20 (.400) with five walks, four doubles and six RBI over his last eight games after going 0-for-4 over his previous five contests...has appeared in 14 games in right field, six at first base and three in left field... Josh Phegley is 7-for-22 (.318) over his last seven games after going 3-for-19 (.158) over his first nine contests... *Trevor Plouffe* went 0-for-3 last night in his first action since March 25...it snapped a streak of four straight two-hit games...is now 8-for-14 (.571) with six runs scored and five RBI over his last five games... is tied for fourth in the CL in triples (2)...is tied for the team-lead in runs (12) and triples...is batting .389 (37-for-95) with six home runs and 25 RBI in 34 games over the last two springs...*Adam Rosales* is 2-for-16 (.125) with 10 strikeouts over his last six games...leads the A's with 21 strikeouts this spring...has appeared in 12 games at shortstop and seven at second base... Max Schrock (minors) was originally a non-roster invitee before being reassigned to minor league camp March 19... is 9-for-20 (.450) over his last nine games after going 2-for-10 (.200) over his first 11 contests... Marcus Semien is 4-for-29 (.138) over his last 11 games...three of the four hits are for extra bases (two doubles, one home run) and he has six RBI over that stretch...is tied for eighth in the CL in RBI (15)...J.P. Sportman (minors) is 2-for-10 (.200) in 10 games this spring as an extra from the minor league camp....Stephen Vogt is 0-for-10 over his last four games after going 8-for-24 (.333) with six doubles over his previous eight contests...is tied for the team-lead in doubles (6).

IN CAMP: The A's have 36 players in camp, which includes five players likely to start the year on the DL (Bassitt, Gray, Mengden, Smolinski, Wendle)...the total includes 30 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and six non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 18 pitchers, three catchers, nine infielders and six 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).

OPENING DAY NOTES: The A's will open their 50th season in Oakland on Monday, April 3 against Los Angeles (AL)...first pitch is at 7:05...have lost 11 of their last 12 openers and are 5-18 in the first game of the season dating back to 1994...will face the Angels to start the season for the fifth time in Oakland history...are 2-2 in the previous four meetings, including a 3-2 win in the only game in Oakland on April 6, 1982...last faced the Angels on Opening Day on April 6, 2009 at Anaheim, a 3-0 loss.

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.

	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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March 27	

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'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHEI #60 ANDREW TRIGGS RHP (1-2, 7.78 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his seventh appearance and fifth start of the spring... has started in each of his last four outings (17 er in 15.2 ip, 9.77 ERA) after pitching in relief in his first two appearances (0 er in 4.0 ip)...was claimed off waivers from Baltimore during the spring last year and went 1-1 with a 4.31 ERA and .255 opponents batting average in 24 games (six starts) over eight stints in his Major League debut with the A's...the eight stints are believed to be the most in one season in Oakland history...had three oneday stints and two two-day stints...struck out 55 and walked just 13 for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 4.23...compiled an 8.00 ERA and .312 opponents batting average in 10 relief appearances over his first four stints through June 3...then went 1-1 with a 2.58 ERA and .224 opponents batting average in 14 games (six starts), over his final four stints...his opponents batting average included a .235 mark against right-handed hitters compared to .277 against left-handers...went 2-1 with two saves and a 2.95 ERA in 16 appearances with Nashville, all in relief...did not surrender a home run in 18.2 innings...allowed a .225 batting average, including .130 against left-handed hitters compared to .271 against right-handers.

	TRIGGS' 2017 SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES											
Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	н	R	ER	BB	so	HR	
*Feb. 28	Cleveland	5-4	-	0.00	2.0	2	1	0	0	3	0	
*March 5	at Seattle	5-4	-	0.00	2.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	
March 11	Texas	8-7	-	1.23	3.1	4	2	1	0	1	0	
March 16	at Cleveland	4-5	L	5.73	3.2	5	6	6	2	3	0	
March 22	at Chicago (AL)	5-3	W	5.06	5.0	3	2	2	0	4	1	
March 27	Kansas City	3-10	L	7.78	3.2	8	8	8	2	4	3	
	ames, 4 starts) relief appearance		1-2	7.78	19.2	23	19	17	4	16	4	

#50 RAUL ALCANTARA RHP (1-1, 4.50 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his seventh appearance of the spring...each of his first three outings came in relief but his last three have been starts...has allowed nine runs in his last four outings (15.0 ip, 5.40 ERA) after surrendering one over his first two (1.80 ERA)...has surrendered just one home run in 20.0 innings...also started in a minor league game on Monday (2.0 ip, 1 so)...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
March 23	Milwaukee	15-5	W	4.50	5.1	5	2	2	2	3	0
Totals (6 g	Totals (6 games, 3 starts)			4.50	20.0	20	10	10	7	9	1
	*indicates relief appearance										

#71 SIMON CASTRO RHP (1-0, 3.12 ERA)

The non-roster invitee has not allowed a run in nine of his 10 outings this spring, including his last appearance on Tuesday at Los Angeles-AL (1.1 ip, 2 h, 1 so)...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.

#73 CÉSAR VALDEZ RHP (0-0, 2.25 ERA)

The non-roster invitee has allowed a run in three of his four Cactus League appearances, including his last outing a week ago today at Los Angeles-NL (3.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 bb, 2 so)...also pitched for the Dominican Republic in the World Baseball Classic and made one appearance in the first round on March 12 against Colombia (1.2 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb)...spent the entire 2016 campaign at Triple-A Fresno in his first season with a Major League organization since 2011...was 12-1 with a 3.12 ERA in 30 games (18 starts) with the Grizzlies...led the Pacific Coast League in winning percentage (.923), ranked third in ERA and tied for fourth in wins...walked just 13 batters in 138.1 innings, an average of 0.84 per nine innings...struck out 114 for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 8.77...was 2-1 with a 5.40 ERA over his first 15 games (four starts) through June 5...then went 10-0 with a 2.20 ERA over his final 15 games (14 starts) beginning June 11...allowed a .267 opponents batting average, including .257 against right-handed hitters compared to .282 against left-handers...yielded a .182 average with RISP and two outs...11 of his first 12 appearances came in relief...17 of his final 18 outings were starting assignments...was 11-1 with a 3.47 ERA and .276 opponents batting average in his 18 starts, 1-0 with a 1.25 ERA and .213 opponents average in 12 relief appearances.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

April 1 vs. San Francisco Giants: RHP Tyler Beede

REGULAR SEASON PROBABLES

Monday, April 3 vs. Los Angeles (AL), 7:05 PM, NBCSCA/95.7 FM RHP Kendall Graveman (10-11, 4.11 in 2016) vs. RHP Ricky Nolasco (8-14, 4.42 in 2016)

Tuesday, April 4 vs. Los Angeles (AL), 7:05, NBCSCA-Streaming/102.9 FM LHP Sean Manaea (7-9, 3.86 in 2016) vs RHP Matt Shoemaker (9-13, 3.88 in 2016)

Wednesday, April 5 vs. Los Angeles (AL), 7:05, NBCSCA/98.5 FM RHP Jharel Cotton (2-0, 2.15 in 2016) vs RHP Garrett Richards (1-3, 2.34 in 2016)

Thursday, April 6 vs. Los Angeles (AL), 12:35, NBCSCA/95.7 FM RHP Andrew Triggs (1-1, 4.31 in 2016) vs. TRA

2017 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

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DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.	DA
Feb. 25	at Chicago (NL)	L, 3-4	0-1	Berg	C.Smith	14,929		Ма
Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL)	L, 3-5	0-2	Miller	Kurcz	4,072	4,072	Ма
Feb. 27	at San Francisco	W, 5-4	1-2	Castro	Suarez	7,385		Ма
Feb. 28	Cleveland	W, 5-4	2-2	J.Smith	Russell	3,108	7,180	Ма
March 1	at San Diego	L, 0-5	2-3	Bawcom	Coulombe	1,864		Ма
March 2	Texas	W, 5-1	3-3	Hahn	Hauschild	3,326	10,506	Ма
March 3	San Francisco	W, 6-1	4-3	Graveman	Samardzija	a 8,203	18,709	Ма
March 4	Cleveland	L, 5-15	4-4	Clevinger	Manaea	6,707	25,416	Ма
March 5	at Seattle	W, 5-4	5-4	Detwiler	DeJong	6,639		Ма
March 6	OFF DAY							Ма
March 7	at Arizona	W, 21-13	6-4	Dull	Bradley	8,208		
March 8	Italy (WBC) (exhib.)	W, 7-0		Graveman	Oberto	3,204		Ма
March 9	Cincinnati	W, 12-5	7-4	Manaea	Adelman	4,779	30,195	Ма
March 10	at Kansas City	W, 11-7	8-4	Cotton	Hammel	6,507		Ма
March 11	Texas	W, 8-7	9-4	Shore	Wolff	6,072	36,267	Ма
March 12	Chicago (NL)	W, 9-8	10-4	Montas	Pugliese	10,606*	46,873	Ма
March 13	at Cincinnati	L, 1-3	10-5	Garrett	Graveman	3,075		Ма
March 14		L, 3-4	10-6	Estevez	Coulombe	5,611	52,484	DA
March 15	OFF DAY							Ap

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DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.
March 16	at Cleveland	L, 5-6	10-7	McAllister	Triggs	6,314	
March 17	Arizona	L, 2-3	10-8	Bradley	Alcantara	8,210	60,694
March 18	San Diego	W, 2-1	11-8	Dull	Lee	7,303	67,997
March 19	at Colorado	L, 2-9	11-9	Gray	Hahn	8,682	
March 20	Arizona	L, 6-10	11-10	Wilhelmsen	Detwiler	7,412	75,409
March 21	at Seattle	W, 8-5	12-10	Cotton	Heston	8,080	
March 22	at Chicago (AL)	W, 5-3	13-10	Triggs	Gonzalez	3,895	
March 23	Milwaukee	W, 15-5	14-10	Alcantara	Guerra	6,164	81,573
March 24	Chicago (AL)	W, 8-2	15-10	Graveman	Putnam	7,027	88,600
March 25	Cincinnati	L, 6-11		Luetge	Doolittle	5,051	93,651
	at Los Angeles (NL)	L, 6-11	15-12	Hatcher	Hahn	13,219	
March 26	at Milwaukee	W, 11-1	16-12	Cotton	Garza	5,552	
March 27	Kansas City	L, 3-10	16-13	Vargas	Cotton	5,357	99,008
March 28	at Los Angeles (AL)	L, 3-14	16-14	Alvarez	Shore	7,716	
March 29	at Chicago (NL)	L, 11-15	16-15	Uehara	Jefferies	15,448	
March 30	at San Francisco	L, 0-3	16-16	Blach	Coulombe	39,380	
March 31	at San Francisco	L, 1-2	16-17	Strickland	Dull	42,403	
DATE	OPPONENT	Т	IME RADI	O/TV			
April 1	San Francisco (at C	lak) 12	2:05 CSNC	CA/95.7 FM T	he Game/A	's Radio N	etwork