



OAKLAND ATHLETICS

Game Information

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YESTERDAY

The A's and Colorado Rockies played to a 6-6 nine inning tie...Brett Anderson started for the A's and allowed all six runs in 5.0 innings (8 h, 3 bb, 7 so)...Brad Kilby and Henry Rodriguez tossed a scoreless inning of relief each and Fernando Hernandez blanked the Rockies over the final two innings...Jake Fox hit a solo home run in the second inning to give the A's a 1-0 lead but Oakland trailed 6-1 entering the bottom of the seventh...Landon Powell had a sacrifice fly in the seventh and the A's then scored four times in the eighth inning to tie the game...Jemile Weeks tripled and scored on a fielders choice, Fox and Gabe Gross had back-to-back RBI singles and Adam Rosales tied the game with a sacrifice fly...Fox and Rajai Davis had two hits each.

A's vs. MARINERS

This is the second and final meeting between the A's and Mariners this spring...the A's won the first game a week ago today in Peoria, 7-2...last spring, the A's split two games with the Mariners, winning 12-1 in Phoenix and losing 8-5 in Peoria.

IN CAMP

The A's have a total of 36 players in camp, which includes 34 players on the 40-man roster and two non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 19 pitchers, two catchers, eight infielders and seven outfielders...the A's currently have 40 players on the 40-man roster.

A's ON THE AIR

The A's radio network will broadcast 13 games from Arizona this spring and all three games in the Bay Area...games can be heard in the Bay Area on XTRA Sports 860 AM...Ken Korach returns for his 15th year in the A's broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (5th) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 25th season in the booth...Robert Buan will webcast all other games in Arizona on oaklandathletics.com...all three A's games against San Francisco in the Bay Area will be televised...Thursday, April 1 will be on CSNBA and Friday, April 2 will be on KNTV with a 7:15 first pitch for both games...CSNCA will air the game on Saturday, April 3 in Oakland at 1:05 pm...the A's begin the second year of a five-year agreement with the Spanish Beisbol Network (SBN) to broadcast all 162 regular season games in Spanish...veteran announcer Amaury Pi-González will again serve as the "Voice of the A's" for all Spanish broadcasts, with Manolo Hernández-Douen handling analyst duties.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS (11-12-3) VS. SEATTLE MARINERS (9-16-1)

MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2010 – PHOENIX MUNICIPAL STADIUM – 1:05 P.M.

ABOUT THE A's

ABOUT THE A'S: Had their third tie game yesterday which are the A's most ties during the spring since moving to Arizona in 1969...in the majors, only the White Sox have more ties this spring (4)...are 3-4-2 over the last nine games and have not been more than one game over .500 over two games under .500 all spring...the A's lead the Cactus League in hit by pitches (16), rank second in walks (106), third in home runs (26) and most strikeouts (177) and fifth in runs (150)...grounded into three double plays yesterday but have just 11 for the spring, which is the fewest in the majors...lead the majors with 32 errors...have been successful in 22 of 27 (81.4%) stolen base attempts...the pitching staff ranks second in the majors in most hits (284), tied for third in most walks (103) and has the fourth highest ERA (5.97)...the A's are 6-4-3 at home after going 11-5-1 at Phoenix Municipal Stadium last spring...are 27-11-4 (.691) at Phoenix over the last three years...this is the A's 42nd Spring Training in Arizona and their 29th consecutive spring in Phoenix...trained in Mesa from 1969-78, moved to Scottsdale in 1979 and have been in Phoenix since 1982...with the rainout on March 7, the A's are now scheduled to play 32 games this spring, including 29 in Arizona before returning to the Bay Area for three games with the Giants on April 1 and 2 in San Francisco and April 3 in Oakland...the A's went 17-18-2 last spring and finished with a losing record for the first time since 2006 (15-17)...the 18 losses tied an Oakland spring record set in 1993 and matched in 2005...however, the 37 games played were an Oakland record, topping the previous high of 34 in 1993 and 2004.

ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

Daric Barton had his second four walk game of the spring Friday against Texas and leads the majors with 15 walks...tops the Cactus League in on-base percentage (.538) and is tied for third in doubles (6)...is 3 for 15 (.200) with nine walks and a hit by pitch over his last eight games...**Travis Buck** hit his third home run Friday against the Cubs, which is tied for ninth in the Cactus League...seven of his 10 hits are for extra bases (three doubles, one triple, three home runs)...is 5 for 15 (.333) over his last five games...**Eric Chavez** is 3 for 27 (.111) over his last nine games after hitting safely in each of his first three contests (4 for 8, .500)...did not walk over his first 10 games but has one in each of his last two contests...each of his 12 games have been starts at first base...has made just one regular season appearance at first base (August 21, 2001 vs. Cleveland)...**Coco Crisp** has hit safely in seven of his eight games...returned to the lineup a week ago today after being out 12 days because of a strained left hamstring...is 6 for 17 (.353) in five games since his return...three of his last four starts have been in center field...his other five starts have been as the A's designated hitter...has batted leadoff in all eight of his games...**Jack Cust** is 3 for 9 (.333) with four walks over his last three games after going 0 for 13 with nine strikeouts over his previous four games...has appeared in 14 games at designated hitter and one in left field...**Rajai Davis** has back-to-back multiple hit games (4 for 10)...returned to the lineup last Wednesday night for the first time since March 15 due to an abdominal strain and is 4 for 17 (.235) in four games since his return...has appeared in seven games in left field and seven in center field...has batted leadoff 10 times and second in the three games he and Crisp were both in the starting lineup...**Mark Ellis** is 14 for 33 (.424) over his last 11 games after going 1 for 6 over his first three contests...**Jake Fox** has hit safely in consecutive games for the first time this spring (3 for 8, two home runs, five RBI) after going 2 for 33 (.061) over his first 17 contests...three of his five hits have been home runs and he is tied for ninth in the Cactus League in homers...has appeared in eight games at third base, seven in left field, seven at catcher and one in right field...**Gabe Gross** is 1 for 11 over his last five games after going 7 for 15 (.467) over his previous five contests...has appeared in eight games in center field, six in right field and four in left field...**Kevin Kouzmanoff** is tied for ninth in the Cactus League in home runs (3) and RBI (12)...is 2 for 12 (.167) over his last four games after going 8 for 17 (.471) over his previous six contests...has appeared in 16 games, all at third base...has batted cleanup in 15 of those games and third once...drew his first walk of the spring Saturday against Kansas City...**Eric Patterson** is 11 for 31 (.355) with six RBI over his last 11 games after going 5 for 25 (.200) with one RBI over his first 10 contests...is tied for eighth in the Cactus League in triples (2)...has appeared in 13 games in center field, eight at second base and three in left field...**Cliff Pennington** had his first three-hit game Saturday against Kansas City and is now 12 for 32 (.375) over his last 11 games after going 2 for 10 (.200) over his first five contests...is tied for fourth in the Cactus League in walks (9), tied for sixth in steals (6) and tied for eighth in triples (2)...**Landon Powell** is 3 for 24 (.125) with 11 strikeouts over his last 12 games...**Adam Rosales** is 2 for 24 (.083) over his last eight games after going 8 for 15 (.533) over his previous six games...has appeared in 12 games at shortstop, four at second base, four at third base and one in right field...**Kurt Suzuki** is 2 for 23 (.087) over his last nine games...has hit safely in eight of his 15 games and has gone 1 for 3 in each of those eight games...has batted in the five spot in the order in each of his last three games...has also batted third 11 times and cleanup once...**Ryan Sweeney** has hit safely in each of his last five games (5 for 14, .357) and is 15 for 39 (.385) over his last 13 contests after going 1 for 10 over his first four games...**Steve Tolleason** is 0 for 10 over his last eight games after going 4 for 9 over his previous six games...has appeared in 10 games at shortstop, six at third base and three at second base...struck out for the first time this spring Friday against Texas.

TRANSACTIONS

Feb. 11 Gregorio Petit outrighted to Sacramento
March 10 Jay Marshall January 8 waiver claimed voided; Marshall returned to A's and released
March 14 Cedric Bowers, Sam Demel, Joel Galarraga, Grant Green, Dallas McPherson, Max Stassi, Jemile Weeks, Matt Whitney, Corey Wimberly and Matt Wright reassigned to minor league camp
March 15 Clayton Mortensen optioned to Sacramento; Pedro Figueroa and Fautino De Los Santos optioned to Midland; Bobby Cassevah returned to the Los Angeles Angels (Rule 5)
March 18 Justin Souza optioned to Midland
March 21 Corey Brown, Adrian Cardenas, Matt Carson, Lenny DiNardo, Josh Donaldson, Fernando Hernandez, Marcus McBeth, Gregorio Petit and Eric Sogard reassigned to minor league camp
March 24 Edwar Ramirez acquired from the Texas Rangers for minor leaguer Gregorio Petit
March 27 Chris Carter and Vin Mazzaro optioned to Sacramento; Michael Taylor reassigned to minor league camp
March 28 Anthony Recker reassigned to minor league camp

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TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

#47 GIO GONZALEZ LHP (1-1, 3.46 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fifth appearance and fourth start of the spring...pitched in relief in his first outing but his last three appearances have been starts (11.0 ip, 5 h, 3 r, 3 er, 7 bb, 12 so, 2.45 ERA)...has 14 strikeouts in 13.0 innings but has also walked seven batters...has held the opposition to a .186 batting average...began the 2009 season at Triple-A Sacramento and had two one-game stints with Oakland before returning for a third time June 24...spent the remainder of the season in the starting rotation and was 6-7 with a 5.75 ERA in 20 games, 17 starts, overall...had 109 strikeouts, which ranked fifth among American League rookies and was the seventh-best total by a rookie in Oakland history...tossed just 98.2 innings for an average of 9.94 strikeouts per nine innings...based on a minimum of 90 innings pitched, that is the best ratio in Athletics history, topping the previous high of 9.77 by Wes Stock of the 1964 Kansas City A's...however, he issued 56 walks for an average of 5.11 per nine innings, which led the AL (min. 90 ip).

GONZALEZ' SPRING TRAINING DAY-BY-DAY

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
3/8	CHI (NL)	L	2.0	3	2	2	0	2	0	9
3/13	at SF	W	3.0	2	0	0	1	3	0	12
3/18	ARI	-	3.7	1	2	2	4	4	1	15
3/24	LAD	-	4.3	2	1	1	2	5	0	17
Totals			13.0	8	5	5	7	14	1	53

ALSO SCHEDULED TO PITCH

#40 ANDREW BAILEY RHP (1-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fifth appearance of the spring, his first since March 14...has not allowed a run in any of his first four outings...made the jump from Double-A to the majors in 2009 and was named American League Rookie of the Year by the BBWAA...became the eighth Athletic to win Rookie of the Year honors...assumed the A's closer duties by the end of May and set an Oakland rookie record with 26 saves, breaking the previous mark of 23 set by Street in 2005...led all Major League rookies in saves...had just four blown saves and converted each of his final 21 saves opportunities, which is tied for the second longest streak in Oakland history...was named to the AL All-Star team, the only rookie named to either team...led AL relievers and ranked second in the majors with a .167 opponents batting average.

BAILEY'S SPRING TRAINING DAY-BY-DAY

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
3/5	MIL	W	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	5
3/8	CHI (NL)	-	1.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	4
3/10	CWS	-	1.0	2	0	0	0	3	0	5
3/14	KC	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Totals			4.0	4	0	0	1	4	0	18

#56 CRAIG BRESLOW LHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA, 1 save)

Is scheduled to make his fifth appearance of the spring, his first since March 14...has not allowed a run in any of his first four outings and has held the opposition to a .214 batting average...began the 2009 season with Minnesota and had a 6.28 ERA in 17 appearances when he was claimed off waivers by the A's May 20...went 7-5 with a 2.60 ERA in 60 games with Oakland and combined for an 8-7 record and a 3.36 ERA in 77 appearances overall...the games pitched were a career high and second most in the American League...his losses tied for the lead among AL relievers but he ranked second in wins...his .197 opponents batting average tied for 10th lowest...allowed 12 of 50 (24.0%) inherited runners to score, which was 10th lowest in the AL.

BRESLOW'S SPRING TRAINING DAY-BY-DAY

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
3/5	MIL	S	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	4
3/8	CHI (NL)	-	1.0	2	0	0	1	0	0	6
3/10	CWS	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
3/14	KC	-	0.7	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Totals			3.7	3	0	0	3	1	0	17

#31 BRAD ZIEGLER RHP (0-0, 3.24 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his ninth appearance of the spring...pitched consecutive days for the first time last Thursday and Friday...has not allowed a run in five of his last six outings...has not yielded a home run in 8.1 innings...was 2-4 with seven saves and a 3.07 ERA in 69 relief appearances last year...allowed two home runs in 73.1 innings for an average of 0.25 per nine innings, the third lowest mark among American League relievers...now has yielded four home runs in 133.0 career innings or 0.27 per nine innings...led AL relievers and ranked second in the majors with 14 grounded into double plays (Affeldt, SF 18)...ranked third among AL relievers in most hits allowed (82) and had a .293 opponents batting average...that included a .265 (45 for 170) mark against right-handed hitters and .336 (37 for 110) against left-handers.

ZIEGLER'S LAST FOUR SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
3/18	ARI	-	1.3	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
3/21	CIN	-	1.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	6
3/25	at SF	-	1.0	3	2	2	0	0	0	5
3/26	at CHI (NL)	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4
Totals			8.3	10	4	3	2	5	0	38

2010 OAKLAND ATHLETICS SPRING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.
March 4	at Chicago (NL)	L, 3-9	0-1	Wells	Cahill	7,496	
March 5	Milwaukee	W, 8-7	1-1	Bailey	Dillard	4,617	4,617
March 6	Los Angeles (AL)	W, 4-2	2-1	McBeth	Chick	6,469	11,086
March 7	at Los Angeles (AL)	Cancelled, Rain					
March 8	Chicago (NL)	L, 3-10	2-2	Dempster	Gonzalez	4,301	15,387
March 9	Texas	T, 8-8	2-2-1			2,488	17,875
	at Kansas City	L, 10-11	2-3-1	Colon	Demel	2,247	
March 10	Chicago (AL)	L, 5-9	2-4-1	Hudson	Sheets	3,428	21,303
March 11	at Milwaukee	W, 7-3	3-4-1	Jennings	Rivas	4,015	
March 12	at Arizona	L, 1-10	3-5-1	Anderson	Kennedy	4,819	
March 13	San Diego	W, 10-9 (10)	4-5-1	Bowers	Webb	5,495	26,798
	at San Francisco	W, 8-7	5-5-1	Gonzalez	Cain	12,000	
March 14	Kansas City	W, 10-3	6-5-1	Cahill	Davies	5,705	32,503
March 15	at Cincinnati	L, 5-13	6-6-1	Lincoln	Sheets	4,602	
March 16	OFF DAY						
March 17	San Francisco	L, 1-6	6-7-1	Affeldt	Souza	8,758*	41,261
March 18	Arizona	W, 7-3	7-7-1	Ross	Mulvey	9,038*	50,299
March 19	at Colorado	L, 4-10	7-8-1	Corpas	DiNardo	5,067	
March 20	Chicago (NL)	W, 7-4	8-8-1	Sheets	Gorzelanny	7,947*	58,246
	at Cleveland	L, 4-12	8-9-1	Talbot	Jennings	4,135	
March 21	Cincinnati	L, 3-4	8-10-1	Burton	Wuertz	6,332	64,578
March 22	at Seattle	W, 7-2	9-10-1	Duchscherer	Snell	7,264	
March 23	OFF DAY						
March 24	Los Angeles (NL)	T, 3-3	9-10-2			7,917*	72,495
March 25	at San Francisco	L, 3-6	9-11-2	Wellemeyer	Jennings	11,620	
March 26	at Texas	W, 6-3	10-11-2	Mazzaro	Harden	4,216	
	at Chicago (NL)	W, 5-2	11-11-2	Kilby	Marmol	12,211	
March 27	at Kansas City	L, 12-14	11-12-2	Bullington	Capra	7,436	
March 28	Colorado	T, 6-6	11-12-3			6,194	78,689
DATE	OPPONENT	PROBABLES	TIME	RADIO/TV			
March 29	Seattle	LHP Gio Gonzalez vs. LHP Jason Vargas	1:05				
March 30	at Chicago (AL)	RHP Ben Sheets vs. LHP Mark Buehrle	1:05				
March 31	Cincinnati	LHP Dallas Braden vs. RHP Mike Leake	1:05				
April 1	vs. San Francisco (at SF)		7:15	XTRA Sports 860 AM/CSNBA			
April 2	vs. San Francisco (at SF)		7:15	XTRA Sports 860 AM/KNTV			
April 3	vs. San Francisco (at OAK)		1:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM/CSNCA			