



OAKLAND ATHLETICS

Game Information

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YESTERDAY

The A's lost to the Giants at San Francisco, 2-1...Brett Anderson started for Oakland and tossed 5.0 shutout innings, allowing just three hits and no walks while striking out four...he left with a 1-0 lead as the A's scored their only run in the fourth inning when Eric Chavez singled and scored on a Kevin Kouzmanoff double...Edwar Ramirez relieved Anderson and tossed a scoreless sixth inning, but Chad Gaudin allowed the tying run to score in the seventh and Brad Kilby yielded the winning run in the eighth for the loss...the A's were held to five hits on the evening...Rajai Davis singled in the first and Adam Rosales and Jake Fox had back-to-back singles in the seventh.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS (12-16-3) VS. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS (22-11) SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 2010 – OAKLAND-ALAMEDA COUNTY COLISEUM – 1:05 P.M.

ABOUT THE A's

ABOUT THE A'S: Have gone winless in six of the last seven games (1-5-1) and are 12-16-3 (.435)...with one game remaining, the A's will finish with a losing record for the second consecutive spring (went 17-18-2 last year)...with a loss today, the A's will finish with their worst record during the spring since 1990 when they went 6-10 (.375)...a win makes it the worst record since 1991 (13-16-1, .450)...the A's record is tied for 10th best among the 15 Cactus League teams, but it is the second best mark among the four American League West teams, one-half game behind the Angels (12-15-4)...have three tie games, which are the A's most ties during the spring since moving to Arizona in 1969...are tied for the Cactus League lead in hit by pitches (16), rank second in walks (123), third in home runs (29) and fourth in most strikeouts (211)...have grounded into seven double plays in the last six games after hitting into eight over the first 25 contests...the 15 GIDP overall are the fewest in the majors...are tied for fourth in the majors with 33 errors...the pitching staff has allowed three runs or less in four of the last five games, which has lowered its ERA to 5.52...that is the lowest it has been since the fourth game of the spring (March 8), but it is the fourth highest ERA in the majors...rank third in the majors in most hits (323) and have the fourth most walks (119)...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.

A's vs. GIANTS

This is the sixth and final meeting between the A's and Giants this spring...the A's have lost three of the first five games as they split two games in San Francisco and Scottsdale and lost the only meeting in Phoenix...last spring, the A's went 4-3 against San Francisco...split two games in Phoenix, Scottsdale and San Francisco and won the only game in Oakland.

ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

Daric Barton has walked at least once in each of his last six games (11 walks total) and has 21 walks overall, which are five more than any other major leaguer...they are also the most walks by an Athletic during the spring since stats are first available in 1991...the previous best was 17 by Mark McGwire in 1991...ranks third in the Cactus League in on-base percentage (.507)...leads the A's in walks...is 4 for 26 (.154) over his last 12 games...**Travis Buck** hit his team leading fourth home run Wednesday, which is tied for seventh in the CL...eight of his 12 hits are for extra bases (three doubles, one triple, four home runs)...is tied for the team lead in runs (12)...is 7 for 21 (.333) over his last nine games...has appeared in 16 games in right field, eight in left field and one in center field...**Eric Chavez** is 5 for 37 (.135) over his last 12 games after hitting safely in each of his first three contests (4 for 8, .500)...played third base and shortstop Wednesday, his only defensive appearances at a position other than first base all spring...has made 13 starts at first and has made just one regular season appearance at first base (August 21, 2001 vs. Cleveland)...has five career appearances at shortstop...**Coco Crisp** is 11 for 22 (.500) over his last seven games and has hit safely in 10 of 12 games overall...returned to the lineup March 22 after being out 12 days because of a strained left hamstring...is 12 for 29 (.414) in nine games since his return...seven of his last eight starts have been in center field...his other five starts have been at designated hitter...has batted leadoff in all 12 of his games...**Jack Cust** is 4 for 27 (.148) over his last 10 games after going 7 for 20 (.350) over his first eight...has appeared in 15 games at designated hitter and two in left field...**Rajai Davis** is 6 for 34 (.176) over his last eight games after missing eight days due to an abdominal strain...has appeared in 11 games in left field and eight in center field...has batted leadoff 10 times and second in the seven games he and Crisp were both in the starting lineup...**Mark Ellis** went 1 for 6 over his first three games, 14 for 33 (.424) over his next 11 games and is 2 for 13 (.154) over his last four...**Jake Fox** is 5 for 13 (.385) over his last six games after going 3 for 38 (.079) over his first 18 contests...has appeared in 12 games at third base, 11 at catcher, seven in left field and one in right field...**Gabe Gross** is 2 for 18 (.111) over his last nine games after going 7 for 15 (.467) over his previous five contests...has appeared in 10 games in right field, nine in center field and four in left field...**Kevin Kouzmanoff** has doubled in three of his last four games and is tied for the CL lead with eight this spring...is also tied for seventh in RBI (16)...leads the A's in doubles and RBI...is 8 for 18 (.444) with seven RBI over his last five contests...has appeared in 20 games, all at third base...has batted cleanup 19 times and third once...**Eric Patterson** is 14 for 42 (.333) with seven RBI over his last 16 games after going 5 for 25 (.200) with one RBI over his first 10 contests...has appeared in 17 games in center field, nine at second base and four in left field...**Cliff Pennington** is 14 for 42 (.333) over his last 15 games after going 2 for 10 (.200) over his first five contests...is tied for sixth in the CL in walks (11) and tied for seventh in stolen bases (6)...leads the A's in steals and is tied for the lead in runs (12)...has appeared exclusively at shortstop on defense...**Landon Powell** is 4 for 29 (.138) with 13 strikeouts over his last 16 games...has appeared exclusively at catcher on defense...**Adam Rosales** is 4 for 11 (.364) over his last five games after going 1 for 22 over his previous seven contests...played four positions Wednesday (second, third, short and left)...has appeared in 16 games at shortstop, six at second base, five at third base, one in left field and one in right field...**Kurt Suzuki** went 3 for 4 Thursday night for his first multiple hit game...was 2 for 29 (.069) over his previous 11 games...has batted fifth in each of his last six games...has also hit third 11 times and cleanup once...**Ryan Sweeney** has hit safely in each of his last eight games (9 for 27, .333) and is 19 for 52 (.365) over his last 16 contests after going 1 for 10 over his first four games...leads the A's in hits (20)...has appeared exclusively in right field on defense.

IN CAMP

The A's have a total of 34 players in camp plus one player on the DL (Meloan)...the total includes 33 players on the 40-man roster and one non-roster invitee...the breakdown includes 18 pitchers, two catchers, seven infielders and seven outfielders...the A's currently have 40 players on the 40-man roster plus one player on the 60-day disabled list.

BAY BRIDGE EXTRAS

16	Eric Sogard	IF
36	Fernando Hernandez	RHP
52	Lenny Dinardo	LHP
54	Cedrick Bowers	LHP

FAN APPRECIATION TAILGATE

On Saturday, April 3, just before the final pre-season game vs. the Giants, the Athletics will hold the Oakland A's Fan Appreciation Tailgate from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm...entry to Fan Appreciation Tailgate in Lot A of the Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum is free to the public...parking gates open at 9:00 am with a discounted parking fee of \$10 per vehicle...the event features player autograph sessions; Q&A sessions with Manager Bob Geren, players and coaches hosted by Comcast SportsNet California reporters Matt Morrison and Mychael Urban; photo's with World Series trophies and former A's players; game used memorabilia tent sale; SportsNet Central Sportscaster Experience Booth and A's "Mathletics" Program Signup Booth.

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 Cedrick Bowers, Sam Demel, Joel Gallarraga, 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
- March 29 Free agent Chad Gaudin agrees to terms on a one-year contract; John Meloan placed on the 60-day disabled list (right UCL sprain)
- March 30 Steve Tolleson optioned to Sacramento; Jason Jennings reassigned to minor league camp

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AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONS...1902 • 1905 • 1910 • 1911 • 1913 • 1914 • 1929 • 1930 • 1931 • 1972 • 1973 • 1974 • 1988 • 1989 • 1990

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

#47 GIO GONZALEZ LHP (1-1, 2.79 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his sixth appearance and fifth start of the spring...pitched in relief in his first outing but his last four appearances have been starts (17.1 ip, 8 h, 4 r, 4 er, 10 bb, 16 so, 2.08 ERA)...has held the opposition to a .177 batting average and has yielded just one home run in 19.1 innings...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
3/29	SEA	-	6.3	3	1	1	3	4	0	22
Totals			19.3	11	6	6	10	18	1	75

ALSO SCHEDULED TO PITCH

#40 ANDREW BAILEY RHP (1-1, 1.50 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his seventh appearance of the spring...did not allow a run in his first four outings (4.0 ip) but then went 14 days without pitching due to a right elbow injury...returned to action Monday and has allowed one run in two outings (2.0 ip) since his return...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...set an Oakland rookie record with 26 saves, breaking the previous mark of 23 set by Street in 2005...led all ML 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 LAST FOUR SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
3/10	CWS	-	1.0	2	0	0	0	3	0	5
3/14	KC	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
3/29	SEA	L	1.0	1	1	1	0	1	1	4
3/31	CIN	-	1.0	1	0	0	1	1	0	3
Totals			6.0	6	1	1	2	6	1	25

#53 TREVOR CAHILL RHP (1-1, 4.08 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his sixth appearance of the spring...pitched in a minor league game last Monday...has allowed just three runs over his last three outings (13.2 ip, 1.98 ERA) after yielding five runs over his first two (4.0 ip, 11.25 ERA)...his first four outings were all starts before tossing 4.2 innings in relief of Gonzalez in his last major league spring outing March 24 against the Dodgers...was one of two 21-year olds to spend the season in the A's starting rotation and led the Oakland pitching staff in starts (32), innings pitched (178.2) and losses (13)...was 10-13 with a 4.63 ERA...led Major League rookies in games started...ranked second among American League Rookies in innings pitched, tied for seventh in wins and ninth in strikeouts (90)...the games started fell one short of the Oakland rookie record of 33 set by Joe Blanton in 2005 and he is one of eight rookie 10-game winners in Oakland history...set an Oakland rookie record by allowing 27 home runs.

CAHILL'S SPRING TRAINING DAY-BY-DAY

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
3/4	at CHI (NL)	L	2.0	3	2	2	0	2	1	8
3/9	TEX	-	2.0	4	3	3	1	3	0	11
3/14	KC	W	4.0	2	0	0	1	2	0	14
3/19	at COL	-	5.0	5	1	1	0	1	0	20
3/24	LAD	-	4.7	4	2	2	2	6	0	18
Totals			17.7	18	8	8	4	14	1	71

#31 BRAD ZIEGLER RHP (0-0, 3.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his 10th appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in six of his last seven outings (2 er in 7.0 ip, 2.57 ERA)...has not yielded a home run in 9.0 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...ranked third among AL relievers in most hits allowed (82) and had a .293 opponents batting average...that included a .265 mark against right-handed hitters and .336 against left-handers.

ZIEGLER'S LAST FOUR SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
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
3/29	SEA	-	0.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Totals			9.0	10	4	3	2	5	0	40

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
March 29	Seattle	L, 2-3	11-13-3	Teixeira	Bailey	6,165	84,854
March 30	at Chicago (AL)	L, 0-2	11-14-3	Buehrle	Sheets	6,133	
March 31	Cincinnati	L, 3-8	11-15-3	Leake	Braden	4,639	89,493
April 1	vs. San Francisco (at SF)	W, 9-0	12-15-3	Duchscherer	Zito	24,955	
April 2	vs. San Francisco (at SF)	L, 1-2	12-16-3	Mota	Kilby	28,587	
DATE	OPPONENT	PROBABLES			TIME	RADIO/TV	
April 3	vs. San Francisco (at OAK)	LHP Gio Gonzalez vs. LHP Jonathan Sanchez			1:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM/CSNCA	