

# AKLAND ATHLETICS

## **Post Game Notes**

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### Texas Rangers (84-68) at Oakland Athletics (77-75) Thursday, September 23, 2010 Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum, Oakland, Calif.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	Н	Ε	LOB
Texas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5
Oakland	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	Χ	5	8	0	4

WP — Braden (10-13). LP — Lee (12-9). SV — None.

- The Oakland Athletics have won four of their last five games and are seven games behind Texas in the American League West, keeping their tragic number at four games...recorded their 16th shutout of the season, the second best total by an A's team over the last 20 years (had 19 in 2002)...have now won 77 games, their most since 2006 when they won the AL West with a 93-69 record...are 3-1 on this seven-game homestand against Chicago (2-1) and Texas (1-0).
- Dallas Braden retired 19 batters in a row from the first inning through the seventh inning...walked Kinsler to start the eighth...snapped his four-game losing streak and is now 1-4 with a 4.55 ERA (15 er in 29.2 ip) in five starts in September...has walked two batters or fewer in 25 of his 28 starts this season...is 3-4 with a 2.98 ERA (20 er in 60.1 ip) in 12 career appearances, nine starts, against the Rangers.
- Matt Carson (1 for 3) snapped his 0 for 13 streak with a RBI double in the sixth inning...is 4 for 33 (.121) in 16 games since being recalled from Triple-A Sacramento August 24.
- Chris Carter (1 for 2) is 5 for 10 (.500) over his last four games, all at home...went 0 for 32 over the first 11 games of his career, all on the road.
- Rajai Davis (0 for 0) was scratched due to a non-baseball related issue.
- Kurt Suzuki (1 for 3) is 9 for 27 (.333) during his seven-game hitting streak after going 6 for 36 (.167) over his previous 11 games.
- Steve Tolleson (2 for 3) recorded his first Major League RBI with a run-scoring double in the fifth inning...had gone 44 at-bats without a RBI...the last Athletic to start his career with a longer such streak was Jeff Cox, who had a 67 at-bat streak from July 1 to 22, 1980.

Pitching Lines	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	so	HR	Pitches/Strikes
Dallas Braden (W, 10-13)	8.0	1	0	0	2	7	0	114/75
Brad Ziegler	1.0	0	0	0	1	2	0	24/10
Homo Dune	Inning	Cou	ınt	DBI	Location	ь	itchor	

#### **TEXAS NOTES**

None

- The Texas Rangers recorded a season-low one hit (previous: 3, twice; last: April 16 at NYY)...it is the 17th time in franchise history they have been onehit, the first since September 30, 2009 against the Angels...have lost 18 of their last 26 road games and are 36-42 on the road overall...have lost five of their last six games against the A's...are 2-5 on this 10-game road trip through Seattle (1-2), Los Angeles (1-2) and Oakland (0-1).
- Cliff Lee walked Daric Barton and Mark Ellis back-to-back in the fourth inning...it was his first time allowing back-to-back walks since June 4, 2008 with Cleveland at Texas when he walked Milton Bradley and Marlon Byrd, a span of 585.1 innings...pitched five innings, equaling his shortest start since being acquired by Texas (also: Aug. 26 vs. MIN)...is 1-3 with a 6.68 ERA (23 er in 31.0 ip) in his last five road starts.
- Jorge Cantu (0 for 3) has made 78 plate appearances without a recording a RBI since joining Texas, which is the longest streak to start a career in Rangers history (previous: Juan Beniquez, 76 in 1976).
- **Nelson Cruz** (1 for 4) had the Rangers only hit in the first inning...is batting .345 (20 for 58) in his last 15 games.
- Vladimir Guerrero (0 for 3) is batting .214 (6 for 28) with no extra-base hits and no RBI during this road trip.
- Michael Young (0 for 3) played the 1,500th game of his career...became just the fourth player ever to appear in 1,500 games as a Ranger, joining Rafael Palmeiro (1,573), Jim Sundberg (1,512) and Ivan Rodriguez (1,507)...became the seventh active player to appear in 1,500 games all with one team.

Pitching Lines	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	so	HR	Pitches/Strikes
Cliff Lee (L, 12-9)	5.0	6	4	4	2	3	0	92/57
Scott Feldman	2.0	2	1	1	0	1	0	28/18
Michael Kirkman	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	18/12
Home Runs	Inning	Count		RBI	Location	Pi	<u>itcher</u>	
None								

Time of Game 2:22	Overall Record 77-75	Home/Road
First Pitch7:08 pm	StreakWon 1	Day/Night34-18/43-57
Temperature68 degrees	Homestand 3-1	April/May/June12-12/16-12/10-17
•	Last Five 4-1	July/Aug./Sept14-10/13-15/12-9
Attendance10,815	Last 10 6-4	
Total1,363,681		A's Starter goes 7 or more/Less than 734-15/43-60
Average (78 games)17,483	Series Record 1-0	A's/Opponents score first58-25/19-50
	Series First Game	Leading after 7th inn/8th inn67-3/69-1
Win/Lose in Last At-Bat 11-13	vs. AL West26-21	Tied after 7th inn/8th inn8-9/6-11
Extra Innings 4-6	vs. RHP/LHP55-55/22-20	Trailing after 7 <sup>th</sup> inn/8 <sup>th</sup> inn2-63/2-63