



OAKLAND ATHLETICS

Game Information

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YESTERDAY

The A's defeated Cleveland in Phoenix, 4-3...Oakland scored two times in the bottom of the first inning on a Hideki Matsui grounded into double play with the bases loaded and a Kevin Kouzmanoff RBI single...Bobby Cramer started for the A's and tossed 2.0 scoreless innings (1 h, 1 so) but Josh Outman allowed two runs in 1.1 innings of relief to tie the game at 2-2...Mark Ellis had a RBI single in the fourth inning to give the A's the lead for good...Gabe DeHoyos picked up the win after retiring the final two batters in the fourth inning and Tyson Ross (2.0 ip), Joey Devine (1.0 ip) and Brad Ziegler (1.0 ip, save) all pitched scoreless relief...Kurt Suzuki added a RBI single in the sixth inning to complete the A's scoring...the A's collected just six hits, all singles, and Ellis had two of those.

A's vs. BREWERS

This is the first of three meetings between the A's and Brewers this spring...the clubs meet again in Phoenix this Sunday and the A's return to Maryvale March 11...the A's won both meetings last spring after going 0-2-1 against the Brewers in 2009.

IN CAMP

The A's have a total of 58 players in camp...the total includes 40 players on the 40-man roster and 18 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 28 pitchers, five catchers, 14 infielders and 11 outfielders.

MINOR LEAGUE DATES

Pitchers and catchers will report to training camp at Papago Park March 8 with the first workout scheduled for March 9...position players report March 14 with the first workout March 15...the first minor league spring training game is March 21...extended Spring Training begins April 7.

A's ON THE AIR

The A's radio network will broadcast 10 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...the schedule includes all Saturday and Sunday games plus the Fri., March 18 game against the White Sox at Glendale...Ken Korach returns for his 16th year in the A's broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (6th) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 26th season in the booth...all other games in Arizona will be webcast on oaklandathletics.com...Comcast SportsNet California will televise two games, including one from Arizona on Sun., March 13 vs. Colorado...they will also air the March 29 game against San Francisco in Oakland.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS (2-2) VS. MILWAUKEE BREWERS (3-1)

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2011 – MARYVALE BASEBALL PARK – 1:05 P.M.

ABOUT THE A's

ABOUT THE A'S: Have split the first four games this spring, going 1-1 in Phoenix and 1-1 on the road...the offense ranks third in the majors in runs scored (32) and fourth in on-base percentage (.391)...the pitching staff has allowed just two home runs, which is tied for the fewest in the Cactus League...this is the A's 43rd Spring Training in Arizona, their 30th consecutive spring in Phoenix...trained in Mesa from 1969-78, moved to Scottsdale in 1979 and have been in Phoenix since 1982...are scheduled to play 35 games, including 32 in Arizona, returning to the Bay Area for three games with the Giants on March 28 and 30 in San Francisco and April 3 in Oakland...the 35 games are second most in Oakland history to the 37 games played in 2009...the A's went 12-17-3 last spring, their second consecutive spring with a losing record (17-18-2 in 2009)...the .422 winning percentage was the A's worst mark since 1990 when they went 6-10 (.375)...the three tie games were the A's most since moving to Arizona in 1969.

CONTRACT STATUS: The A's have agreed to terms with all 40 players on the 40-man roster...four of those players are under contract beyond the 2011 season...Brett Anderson is signed through 2013 with club options for 2014 and 2015...Kurt Suzuki is also signed through 2013 with a club option for 2014...Grant Balfour and Brian Fuentes are both signed through 2012 with club options for 2013...Michael Wuertz has a club option for 2012.

OFF-SEASON MOVES: The A's bolstered their offense this past off-season by acquiring David DeJesus from the Kansas City Royals (Nov. 10 for Vin Mazzaro and Justin Marks) and Josh Willingham from the Washington Nationals (Dec. 16 for Henry Rodriguez and Corey Brown)...Oakland also signed Hideki Matsui as a free agent Dec. 14...the A's turned to free agency to add to their pitching staff, signing Brandon McCarthy (Dec. 13), Rich Harden (Dec. 21), Grant Balfour (Jan. 18) and Brian Fuentes (Jan. 19).

A's TOP PROSPECTS: Seven of the A's top 10 prospects according to *Baseball America* are in major league camp this spring...the list includes three players already on the A's 40-man roster in Chris Carter (#2), Tyson Ross (#4) and Michael Taylor (#10)...four are non-roster invitees including Grant Green (#1), Michael Choice (#3), Jemile Weeks (#5) and Max Stassi (#6)...the other three are Aaron Shipman (#7), Yordy Cabrera (#8) and Ian Krol (#9)...two of the A's top 10 appear on *Baseball America's* Top 100 Prospect List including Grant Green (#63) and Chris Carter (#91).

COACHING STAFF: Manager Bob Geren welcomes three new members to his 2011 coaching staff, as only Tye Waller, Mike Gallego and Ron Romanick return from last season...Gallego remains the team's third base coach, while Waller and Romanick—formerly bench and bullpen coach—have been reassigned to first base coach and pitching coach, respectively...new faces on this year's staff are bench coach Joel Skinner, hitting coach Gerald Perry and bullpen coach Rick Rodriguez...Skinner arrives after managing Cleveland's Double-A affiliate in Akron last season, while Perry served as hitting coach for Boston's Triple-A team in Pawtucket in 2010...Rodriguez was promoted from pitching coach of Oakland's Triple-A franchise in Sacramento.

MEDIA INFORMATION: The A's clubhouse will be open to members of the media with proper credentials beginning at 8:00 a.m...the clubhouse may be closed at certain times for team meetings, etc...please do not lounge or conduct interviews in the weight room/exercise area...once the game begins, the clubhouse is open only to those media who need access to players who have completed their work for the day...A's manager Bob Geren will be available to the media each morning in the first base dugout at 9:15 a.m...Geren will also be available in front of the dugout following the game...members of the media will be allowed in the dugout area and foul territory behind home plate extending down to (but not past) first and third base until the batting cage is removed from the field of play...at that point, all media members must leave the field...the A's dugout will remain accessible to the media until 45 minutes before game time...still photographers and television camera crews with proper credentials must stay in assigned areas at all times...no roving is permitted...still photographers or television camera crews are not allowed in the clubhouse, training room or weight room.

TICKET INFORMATION: Spring Training tickets for all A's home games at Phoenix Municipal Stadium are on sale at www.oaklandathletics.com/spring or by calling 1-877-493-BALL (1-877-493-2255)...the Phoenix Municipal Stadium Box Office is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, and during all home games...individual game ticket pricing will remain unchanged for a third consecutive season...the prices are: \$25 (Field Box), \$22 (Lower Box), \$18 (Upper Box) and \$12 (Outfield Reserved)...for Spring Training season tickets, call the A's Tickets Services Office at 510-568-5600, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. PST Monday through Friday, or log on to www.oaklandathletics.com/spring.

BASEBALL BARGAINS: The A's will launch a new promotion called Free Hot Dog Thursdays, with 10,000 fans receiving a voucher upon entry on Thursdays, redeemable for a free hot dog from concession stands at that day's game...other popular promotions include Chevy Free Parking Tuesdays, BART \$2 Wednesdays and Xfinity Friday Family Pack...for most Tuesdays, fans will get to park free at the Coliseum...for every Wednesday game, A's fans can purchase \$2 tickets...the Friday Family Pack, which is open to families or any group, includes four Plaza Level tickets and four meals for a cost of only \$50...each meal includes a hot dog, soda and bag of peanuts...for more information, go to the A's website, oaklandathletics.com.

ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

Daric Barton has hit safely in each of his two games (2 for 6, .333)...**Michael Choice** is tied for second in the Cactus League in runs (4)...**Coco Crisp** has hit safely in each of his two games (2 for 6, .333)...both of his hits are for extra bases, including a double Tuesday against the Reds and a grand slam Sunday against the Cubs at Mesa...**Mark Ellis** has hit safely in each of his two games (3 for 6, .500)...**Kevin Kouzmanoff** has hit safely in each of his two games (3 for 5, .600)...**Jai Miller** has reached base safely in all four games (4 for 6, 2 bb, 1 hbp) and has hit safely in all three games in which he had an official at bat...stole three bases yesterday against Cleveland...is tied for the Cactus League lead in steals (3), tied for second in batting (.667) and tied for third in on-base percentage (.700)...**Eric Sogard** has hit safely and driven in a run in each of his two games (both at shortstop)...**Kurt Suzuki** has reached base safely in all three of his games (2 for 7, 3 bb)...**Michael Taylor** hit his first home run of the spring Monday against the Angels, a three-run shot in the eighth inning...**Steve Tolleson** has reached base safely in all four games...has made two appearances at shortstop, two at third base and one at second base.

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WORLD CHAMPIONS...1910 • 1911 • 1913 • 1929 • 1930 • 1972 • 1973 • 1974 • 1989

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

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

#53 TREVOR CAHILL RHP (0-0, 108.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his second start of the spring...faced just seven batters in his first start last Sunday against the Cubs at Mesa and retired just one batter...began the 2010 season on the disabled list and was optioned to Sacramento before returning to Oakland April 30 to lead the A's with 18 wins...posted an 18-8 record in 30 starts with a team-leading 2.97 ERA...ranked third in the American League in opponents batting average (.220), fourth in ERA and opponents on-base percentage (.287), tied for fourth in wins, tied for fifth in winning percentage (.692) and sixth in opponents slugging (.332)...his 18 wins were the most by an Athletic over the last eight years and tied for third most in Athletics history by a pitcher under the age of 23...the last AL pitcher under the age of 23 with at least 18 wins was Bret Saberhagen, who won 20 games for Kansas City in 1985...all of his wins came after May 1.

CAHILL'S SPRING TRAINING STARTS

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
2/27	at CHI (NL)	-	0.3	5	4	4	1	0	0	7
Totals			0.3	5	4	4	1	0	0	7

ALSO SCHEDULED TO PITCH

#13 JERRY BLEVINS LHP (0-0, 18.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his second appearance of the spring...allowed two runs on three hits in the seventh inning in his first outing last Monday at Los Angeles (AL)...the 2010 season was his fourth in the majors but it marked the first time he spent the entire year at the big league level...was 2-1 with a save and a 3.70 ERA in a career-high 63 appearances...allowed seven home runs in 48.2 innings after yielding five home runs in 64.2 innings over his first three seasons combined...allowed 12 of 34 (35.3%) inherited runners to score, which was the sixth highest percentage in the AL, and first batters faced were 15 for 59 (.254) with four walks...yielded a .274 opponents batting average, including .231 against left-handed hitters and .311 against right-handers.

BLEVINS' SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
2/28	at LAA	-	1.0	3	2	2	0	0	0	6
Totals			1.0	3	2	2	0	0	0	6

#54 VINNIE CHULK RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his second appearance of the spring...tossed a scoreless second inning in his first outing last Monday at Los Angeles (AL)...the non-roster invitee was signed as a free agent to a minor league contract December 11...began 2010 at Triple-A Indianapolis in the Pittsburgh farm system but finished it with Hiroshima of the Japanese Leagues...was 1-0 with a 4.96 ERA in 28 relief appearances with the Indians before he was released July 22...went to Japan and logged a 2-0 mark with one save and a 5.79 ERA in 16 relief appearances for Hiroshima...with the Indians, allowed a .293 opponents batting average...that included a .278 (22 for 79) mark against right-handed hitters and .315 (17 for 54) against left-handers.

CHULK'S SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
2/28	at LAA	-	1.0	1	0	0	1	1	0	5
Totals			1.0	1	0	0	1	1	0	5

#64 TRYSTAN MAGNUSON RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his second appearance of the spring...tossed a scoreless eighth inning in his first outing last Monday at Los Angeles (AL)...was acquired by the A's from the Toronto Blue Jays with pitcher Danny Farquhar for outfielder Rajai Davis November 17...spent the entire 2010 season at Double-A New Hampshire, where he was 3-0 with five saves and a 2.58 ERA in 46 appearances, all in relief...had career highs in games, saves and strikeouts (63)...yielded just one home run in 73.1 innings...issued 10 walks for an average of 1.23 walks per nine innings, which was the lowest mark among Eastern League relievers...finished second on the Fisher Cats pitching staff in appearances.

MAGNUSON'S SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
2/28	at LAA	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4
Totals			1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4

#74 GUILLERMO MOSCOSO RHP (0-0, 5.40 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his second appearance of the spring...allowed two runs, one earned, in 1.2 innings in his first outing last Monday at Los Angeles (AL)...was acquired from the Texas Rangers for minor league pitcher Ryan Kelly, January 8...spent most of the 2010 season at Triple-A Oklahoma City but did appear in one game in the majors with Texas...was recalled May 15 and made his one appearance May 20 against Baltimore (0.2 ip, 2 h, 2 r, 2 er, 2 bb, 2 so, 1 hbp, 27.00 ERA)...was optioned back to Oklahoma City May 29 and spent the remainder of the season with the RedHawks...went 7-7 with a 5.18 ERA in 23 games, 22 starts at the Triple-A level...pitched for Caracas in the Venezuelan Winter League following the season and was 3-0 with a 2.66 ERA and .197 opponents batting average in 10 games, eight starts...also went 2-0 in two postseason starts and did not allow an earned run in 12.0 innings.

MOSCOSO'S SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
2/28	at LAA	-	1.7	2	2	1	0	2	0	8
Totals			1.7	2	2	1	0	2	0	8

2011 OAKLAND ATHLETICS SPRING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.
Feb. 27	at Chicago (NL)	W, 15-7	1-0	Devine	Garza	6,892	
Feb. 28	at Los Angeles (AL)	L, 7-8	1-1	Pineiro	Braden	2,822	
March 1	Cincinnati	L, 6-7	1-2	Smith	Anderson	1,631	1,631
March 2	Cleveland	W, 4-3	2-2	DeHoyos	Mathis	2,325	3,956
DATE	OPPONENT	PROBABLES	TIME	RADIO/TV			
March 3	at Milwaukee	RHP Trevor Cahill vs. LHP Randy Wolf	1:05				
March 4	Texas	LHP Dallas Braden vs. LHP C.J. Wilson	1:05				
March 5	San Francisco	LHP Brett Anderson vs. TBA	1:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM			
March 6	Milwaukee	LHP Gio Gonzalez vs. LHP Chris Narveson	1:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM			
	at San Diego	LHP Josh Outman vs. RHP Mat Latos	1:05				
March 7	Seattle	RHP Guillermo Moscoso vs. RHP Michael Pineda	1:05				
March 8	San Diego		1:05				
March 9	at Texas		1:05				
March 10	Kansas City		1:05				
March 11	Los Angeles (NL)		1:05				
	at Milwaukee		1:05				
March 12	at Seattle		1:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM			
March 13	Colorado		1:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM / CSNCA			
March 14	at Cleveland		1:05				
March 15	Chicago (NL)		1:05				
	at Kansas City		1:05				
March 16	OFF DAY						
March 17	Chicago (NL)		1:05				
March 18	at Chicago (AL)		4:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM			
March 19	Chicago (AL)		1:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM			
March 20	Arizona		1:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM			
	at San Francisco		1:05				
March 21	at Los Angeles (NL)		1:05				
March 22	at Cincinnati		1:05				
March 23	at Chicago (NL)		1:05				
March 24	at Arizona		1:05				
March 25	Los Angeles (AL)		1:05				
March 26	Colorado		7:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM			
March 27	at Colorado		1:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM			
March 28	vs. San Francisco (at SF)		7:15	XTRA Sports 860 AM / CSNBA			
March 29	vs. San Francisco (at OAK)		7:05	XTRA Sports 860 AM / CSNCA			
March 30	vs. San Francisco (at SF)		12:45	XTRA Sports 860 AM			