



# OAKLAND ATHLETICS

## Game Information

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### YESTERDAY

The A's split a split squad, defeating Milwaukee 5-4 in Phoenix and losing to San Diego 7-6 in Peoria...in Phoenix, Gio Gonzalez tossed 3.0 scoreless and hitless innings and Tyson Ross followed with 3.0 shutout innings...the game was scoreless after five innings and tied 2-2 after seven...Grant Balfour allowed two runs in the eighth but he picked up the win when the A's scored three times in the bottom of the eighth, highlighted by a Rashun Dixon two-run single...Brian Fuentes shutout the Brewers in the ninth for the save...Josh Outman started against the Padres and allowed four runs on five hits and three walks in 1.1 innings...Bobby Cramer tossed 3.0 scoreless innings of relief but Danny Farquhar allowed a run in the ninth for the loss...Kurt Suzuki had a RBI double in the A's three-run first and Jai Miller had a two-run single in the third inning.

### A's vs. MARINERS

This is the first of two meetings between the A's and Mariners this spring...meet again on Saturday in Peoria...the two clubs split their two meetings last spring with the A's winning in Peoria 7-2 on March 22 and losing in Phoenix 3-2 on March 29.

### 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 tomorrow 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 16<sup>th</sup> year in the A's broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (6<sup>th</sup>) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 26<sup>th</sup> 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 (4-5) VS. SEATTLE MARINERS (3-4-1)

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2011 – PHOENIX MUNICIPAL STADIUM – 1:05 P.M.

### ABOUT THE A's

**ABOUT THE A'S:** Have won two of the last three games after losing four of the first six...the A's rank second in the majors this spring in runs scored (61) but are fifth in most runs allowed (53)...also rank third in on-base percentage (.377) and highest ERA (5.67)...this is the A's 43<sup>rd</sup> Spring Training in Arizona, their 30<sup>th</sup> 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 March 29 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 am...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.

### ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

**Daric Barton** has reached base safely in each of his five games (4 for 14, 1 bb)...has batted second in each of his five starts...**Matt Carson** is tied for second in the Cactus League in doubles (3)...four of his six hits are for extra bases (three doubles, one home run)...**Michael Choice** is tied for second in the Cactus League in runs (6)...**Coco Crisp** has hit safely in each of his five games (7 for 15, .467)...has driven in at least one run in three of those contests and is tied for second in the Cactus League with seven RBI...has batted leadoff in all five of his starts...**David DeJesus** has hit third twice and leadoff once...**Mark Ellis** has hit safely in each of his four games (5 for 12, .417)...has batted leadoff twice, second once and third once...**Josh Horton** has appeared in four games at shortstop and one at third base...**Conor Jackson** is hitless in five games (0 for 14)...**Kevin Kouzmanoff** has reached base safely in each of his four games (4 for 9, 2 bb)...has driven in a run in three of those contests, including Friday against the Rangers when he hit a three-run home run...has hit fifth in all four of his games...**Andy LaRoche** hit his first home run last Thursday at Milwaukee and two of his three hits are for extra bases (double)...is one of four Athletics to appear in all eight possible games (three at third base, three at first base, one at second base and one at shortstop)...**Hideki Matsui** is hitless in four games (0 for 8) but has walked four times...is tied for eighth in the Cactus League in walks (4)...has hit fourth twice and third twice...**Jai Miller** is tied for the Cactus League lead in steals (4), tied for third in walks (6), ranks sixth in on-base percentage (.600), tied for sixth in RBI (6) and tied for seventh in runs (5)...stole three bases last Wednesday against Cleveland...is one of four Athletics to appear in all eight possible games...**Eric Sogard** has appeared in five games, all at shortstop...**Kurt Suzuki** has reached base safely in all five of his games (5 for 13, 3 bb)...has hit second three times, fourth once and sixth once...**Michael Taylor** hit his first home run of the spring a week ago today against the Angels, a three-run shot in the eighth inning...is 1 for 13 in five games since then...**Wes Timmons** is one of four Athletics to appear in all eight possible games (five at third base, four at first base, one at shortstop, one at second base)...**Steve Tolleson** is one of four Athletics to appear in all eight possible games (four at third base, three at shortstop, two at second base)...has reached base safely in seven of those contests and is tied for fifth in the Cactus League in walks (5)...**Josh Willingham** hit his first home run last Thursday against Milwaukee, a three-run shot in the second inning...has hit third three times and fourth twice.

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## TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

### #74 GUILLERMO MOSCOSO RHP (0-0, 6.75 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his third appearance and first start of the spring...has allowed two runs in each of his first two outings...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 on 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...allowed a .283 opponents batting average...pitched for Caracas in the Venezuelan Winter League 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
3/3	at MIL	-	2.3	3	2	2	1	2	1	11
<b>Totals</b>			<b>4.0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>

## ALSO SCHEDULED TO PITCH

### #60 FAUTINO DE LOS SANTOS RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his third appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in his first two outings (1.2 ip), including his last outing Saturday against San Francisco (0.2 ip, 1 h, 1 bb)...began the 2010 season on the disabled list for the second consecutive year...combined for a 2-5 record, one save and a 5.13 ERA in a career-high 37 appearances with Single-A Stockton and Double-A Midland...struck out 73 in 47.1 innings, an average of 13.9 per nine innings...walked just 19 for a strikeout to walk ratio of 3.8 to 1...yielded just one home run...allowed a .242 opponents batting average, including .167 average with the bases empty...opponents were 4 for 39 (.103) when leading off an inning.

#### DE LOS SANTOS' SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
3/1	CIN	-	1.0	2	0	0	0	2	0	5
3/5	SF	-	0.7	1	0	0	1	0	0	5
<b>Totals</b>			<b>1.7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>

### #33 JOEY DEVINE RHP (1-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in his first three outings (3.0 ip), including his last outing Saturday against San Francisco when he tossed a scoreless fourth...his first outing February 27 against the Cubs was his first action against ML hitters since March 24, 2009 against Chicago (AL)...missed the entire season for the second consecutive year in 2010 as he continued his rehab from "Tommy John" surgery on his right elbow April 21, 2009...was one of three Oakland pitchers to miss the entire 2010 season due to "Tommy John" surgery...his last Major League game came September 28, 2008 at Seattle (1.0 ip, 1 h, 2 bb).

#### DEVINE'S SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
2/27	at CHI (NL)	W	1.0	1	0	0	1	0	0	5
3/2	CLE	-	1.0	0	0	0	1	1	0	4
3/5	SF	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
<b>Totals</b>			<b>3.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>

### #45 WILLIE EYRE RHP (0-0, 4.50 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his third appearance of the spring...allowed a run in the ninth inning in his last outing Friday against Texas after retiring the side in order in the ninth inning in his first outing last Tuesday against Cincinnati...the non-roster invitee was signed as a free agent to a minor league contract October 29...went 5-4 with two saves and a 3.50 ERA in 49 relief appearances with Triple-A Oklahoma City in the Texas farm system last year...allowed just two home runs in 72.0 innings...yielded a .264 opponents batting average, including .254 (30 for 118) against left-handed hitters and .272 (44 for 162) against right-handers...opponents hit .200 when leading off an inning...posted a 0.84 ERA in the ninth inning.

#### EYRE'S SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
3/1	CIN	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3
3/4	TEX	-	1.0	1	1	1	2	0	0	6
<b>Totals</b>			<b>2.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>

### #31 BRAD ZIEGLER RHP (0-0, 1 save, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in his first three outings (3.1 ip) and has finished all three games...including last Wednesday against Cleveland when he recorded the save...was 3-7 with a 3.26 ERA in 64 relief appearances last year...the losses tied for most among AL relievers and his .300 winning percentage ranked second lowest...issued nine intentional walks, which led all AL pitchers...allowed a .241 opponents batting average, which broke down to .213 against right-handed hitters and .317 against left-handers...first batters faced were 11-for-60 (.183) with three walks...allowed 7 of 31 (22.6%) inherited runners to score.

#### ZIEGLER'S SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
2/27	at CHI (NL)	-	1.0	1	0	0	1	1	0	5
3/2	CLE	S	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
3/5	SF	-	1.3	2	0	0	0	1	0	6
<b>Totals</b>			<b>3.3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>

## 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
March 3	at Milwaukee	L, 9-11	2-3	Rivas	Chulk	2,488	
March 4	Texas	L, 3-6	2-4	Wilson	Braden	4,448	8,404
March 5	San Francisco	W, 6-0	3-4	Anderson	Bumgarner	8,330	16,734
March 6	Milwaukee	W, 5-4	4-4	Balfour	Butler	2,963	19,697
	at San Diego	6-7	4-5	Perdomo	Farquhar	6,061	
DATE	OPPONENT	PROBABLES	TIME	RADIO/TV			
March 7	Seattle	RHP Guillermo Moscoso vs. RHP Felix Hernandez	1:05				
March 8	San Diego	RHP Trevor Cahill vs. RHP Dustin Moseley	1:05				
March 9	at Texas	LHP Dallas Braden vs. LHP Derek Holland	1:05				
March 10	Kansas City	LHP Brett Anderson vs. LHP Will Smith	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			