

# OAKLAND ATHLETICS

# Game Information

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#### **YESTERDAY**

The A's lost to the Mariners at Peoria, 10-2...Guillermo Moscoso and lost for the allowing four runs on six hits and three walks in 3.0 innings...the next three relievers allowed two each, including Magnuson (1.0 ip), Bobby Cramer (2.0 ip) and Fautino De Los Santos ip)...Danny Farquhar pitched a scoreless eighth inning...Chris Carter had a RBI single in the second inning to give the A's a 1-0 lead but the Mariners scored eight unanswered before Oakland scored their second run in the seventh inning when Anthony Recker scored on a Ryan Sweeney out...Sweeney, Mark ground Ellis and Kevin Kouzmanoff had two hits

#### A's vs. ROCKIES

This is the first of three meetings between the A's and Rockies this spring...meet again in Phoenix March 26 and play in Scottsdale the next day...last spring the A's lost in Tucson by a score of 10-4 before playing to a 6-6 tie in Phoenix.

#### IN CAMP

The A's have a total of 56 players in camp...the total includes 38 players on the 40-man roster and 18 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 26 pitchers, five catchers, 14 infielders and 11 outfielders...the A's have 40 players on the 40-man roster.

#### MINOR LEAGUE DATES

Pitchers and catchers have reported to training camp at Papago Park and have began workouts...position players will report tomorrow with the first workout scheduled for Tuesday...the first minor league spring training game is March Training 21...extended Spring begins April 7.

#### A's ON THE AIR

radio network 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 be webcast 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 (6-9-1) VS. COLORADO ROCKIES (11-5)**

SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2011 - PHOENIX MUNICIPAL STADIUM - 1:05 P.M.

#### **ABOUT THE A's**

**ABOUT THE A'S:** Are 1-3-1 over the last five games...overall, have a 5-3-1 record at Phoenix Muni but are 1-6 on the road...have lost each of their last six road games...are tied for fourth in the majors in runs scored (90) but are sixth in most runs allowed (90)...the offense is tied for the major league lead with 71 walks...this is the A's  $43^{rd}$  Spring Training in Arizona, their  $30^{th}$  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).

**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.

### **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...has not played since a week ago today...Matt Carson collected his fourth double Thursday against Kansas City, which is tied for fourth in the Cactus League...Coco Crisp had three hits Friday against the Dodgers, including his second home run, and has now reached base safely in each of his eight games (11 for 23, 2 bb)...is tied for 10<sup>th</sup> in the Cactus League in total bases (21)...has batted leadoff and played center field in all eight of his starts...David DeJesus hit his first home run Wednesday at Texas and also singled for his first multiple hit game...has hit leadoff three times, third three times and second once...Josh Donaldson has not struck out in 18 at bats over 10 games this spring...Mark Ellis had his second multiple hit game yesterday against the Mariners and is 2 for 3 with four walks over his last two games...has batted leadoff three times, third twice, second twice and fifth once...**Grant Green** is 0 for 7 over his last three games after going 4 for 9 (.444) over his first six contests...has made all eight of his defensive appearances at shortstop...**Conor Jackson** started the spring 0 for 15 before singling in the third inning last Monday against Seattle...is 2 for 30 (.067)...has appeared in five games at first base, three at designated hitter and two in right field...Kevin Kouzmanoff has reached base safely in each of his eight games (11 for 20, 3 bb)...has hit safely in seven of those contests and has four multiple hit games...has hit fifth six times, fourth once and sixth once...Andy LaRoche is 7 for 16 (.438) with four runs, two doubles, two home runs and six RBI over his last six games...is tied for fourth in the Cactus League in home runs (3), ranks seventh in slugging (.759) and eighth in on-base percentage (.457)...homered in back-to-back games last Monday and Tuesday...is one of two Athletics (Timmons) to appear in all 14 possible games (five at first base, four at third base, three at shortstop, two at second base)...Hideki Matsui singled in the first inning last Monday against Seattle to snap a spring-opening 0 for 8 streak...that is his only hit in 21 at bats...has hit fourth four times and third four times...**Jai Miller** is tied for third in the Cactus League in on-base percentage (.500) and tied for fourth in walks (8) and steals (4)...is 2 for 14 (.143) over his last nine games after going 4 for 6 (.667) over his first four contests...Cliff Pennington is hitless in 10 at bats over his four games this spring...Landon Powell hit his first home run last Wednesday at Texas and also had his first multiple hit game...Anthony Recker hit his first home run last Tuesday against San Diego...Eric Sogard has appeared in six games, all at shortstop...Kurt Suzuki hit his first home run Thursday against Kansas City and has now reached base safely in all seven of his games (7 for 19, 3 bb)...has hit safely in each of his last six (7 for 17, .412)...has hit second four times, fourth once, fifth once and sixth once...Ryan Sweeney has two hits in each of his two games...Michael **Taylor** had his third multiple hit game Friday against Milwaukee and is 4 for 10 (.400) over his last four games after going 0 for 11 over his previous five contests...hit his second home run last Tuesday against San Diego...**Wes Timmons** is tied for ninth in the Cactus League in walks (6)...is 1 for 12 over his last six games after going 5 for 16 (.313) over his first eight contests…is one of two Athletics (LaRoche) to appear in all 14 possible games (eight at first base, six at third base, one at shortstop, one at second base)...**Steve Tolleson** is tied for sixth in the Cactus League in walks (7)...has appeared in six games at third base, four at shortstop and two at second base...**Josh Willingham** is 2 for 11 (.182) over his last five games after going 4 for 9 (.444) over his first three contests...has hit third four times and fourth four times.

#### **TRANSACTIONS**

March 13 Fautino De Los Santos optioned to Sacramento; Pedro Figueroa optioned to Midland

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## TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

#### #53 TREVOR CAHILL RHP (0-0, 8.10 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth start of the spring...tossed 4.0 shutout innings and allowed just one hit in his last start after allowing six runs on nine hits in 2.2 innings over his first two starts...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 wins...posted an 18-8 record in 30 starts with a team-leading 2.97 ERA...ranked third in the ÅL in opponents batting average (.220), fourth in ERÅ 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

CAHILL'S SPRING TRAINING STARTS										
Date Oppone	nt Dec	ΙP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	HR	RF	
2/27 at CHI (N		0.3	5	4	4	1	0	0	7	
3/3 at MIL	-	2.3	4	2	2	1	4	0	11	
3/8 SD	-	4.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	14	
Totals		6.7	10	6	6	2	4	0	32	

last eight years...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.

#### **ALSO SCHEDULED TO PITCH**

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

Is scheduled to make his second appearance of the spring...retired the side in order in the sixth inning of his first outing last Thursday against Kansas City...led the A's in saves and was named to the American League All-Star team for the second consecutive year in 2010 despite missing a month and a half due to injuries...was 1-3 with 25 saves and a 1.47 ERA in 47 relief appearances...was on the disabled list from July 21 to Aug. 21 and did not pitch after Sept. 17...Dr. James Andrews performed surgery on his right elbow Sept. 24 in Florida...ranked 10th in the AL in saves and his save percentage of 89.3% was fifth best in the league.

BAILEY'S SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES										
Date Opponent	Dec	ΙP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	HR	BF	
3/10 KC	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	
Totals		1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	

#### #50 GRANT BALFOUR RHP (1-0, 13.50 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fifth appearance of the spring...has allowed at least one run in three of his four outings, all 1.0 inning each...opponents are 9 for 20 (.450)...was signed by the A's as a free agent to a two-year contract through 2012 with a club option for 2013, January 18...made 57 relief appearances with Tampa Bay last year, despite spending the month of August on the disabled list...compiled a 2.28 ERA, which ranked eighth among American League relievers...allowed a .216 opponents batting average, including .174 against right-handed hitters...opponents hit .161 with runners in scoring position, including .074 with RISP and two outs...struck out 56 batters in 55.1 innings and walked just 17 for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 3.29.

BALFOUR'S SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES									
Date Opponent	Dec	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	so	HR	BF
3/1 CIN	-	1.0	5	3	3	0	1	0	8
3/4 TEX	-	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4
3/6 MIL	W	1.0	2	2	2	1	0	0	6
3/10 KC	-	1.0	1	1	1	0	1	0	4
Totals		4.0	9	6	6	1	3	0	22

#### #57 BRIAN FUENTES LHP (0-0, 1 save, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fifth appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run or walked a batter in his first four outings (3.2 ip)...was signed by the A's as a free agent to a two-year contract with a club option for 2013, Jan. 19...started the 2010 season as the closer with Los Angeles (AL) but finished it in a set-up role with Minnesota following a late August trade...combined for a 4-1 record, 24 saves and a 2.81 ERA in 48 relief appearances...allowed a .181 opponents batting average, which ranked fifth lowest among American League relievers...issued 20 walks for a .273 opponents onbase percentage, which is a career low...first batters faced hit .122, which was fifth lowest in the AL...his opponents average included a .128 mark against lefties.

FUENTES' SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES										
Date	Opponent	Dec	ΙP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	HR	BF
3/1	CIN	-	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
3/4	TEX	-	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
3/6	MIL	S	1.0	2	0	0	0	3	0	5
3/10	KC	-	0.7	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total	S		3.7	4	0	0	0	4	0	15

#### #70 YADEL MARTI RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in his first three outings (5.0 ip) and opponents are 2 for 16 (.125)...the non-roster invitee was signed as a free agent to a minor league contract August 6...defected from Cuba in December 2008 and went 2-2 with a 4.19 ERA in eight starts for Veracruz of the Mexican League in 2010...yielded just two home runs in 43.0 innings...allowed a .291 opponents batting average, including .255 against left-handed hitters...pitched for Cuba in the 2006 World Baseball Classic and was named to the All-Tournament team after going 1-0 with two saves and a 0.00 ERA (12.2 ip) in four games, two starts

	MARTI'S SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES										
Date	Opponent	Dec	ΙP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	HR	BF	
3/3	at MIL	-	1.0	1	0	0	1	1	0	4	
3/7	SEA	-	2.0	1	0	0	0	2	0	7	
3/10	KC	-	2.0	0	0	0	0	3	0	6	
Total	S		5.0	2	0	0	1	6	0	17	

#### 2011 OAKLAND ATHLETICS SPRING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTE	END.	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	L, 6-7	4-5	Perdomo	Farquhar	6	,061	
March 7	Seattle	L, 4-6	4-6	Hernandez	Moscoso	3	,404	23,101
March 8	San Diego	W, 6-2	5-6	Ziegler	Poreda	2	,557	25,658
March 9	at Texas	L, 2-9	5-7	Holland	Braden	4	,066	
March 10	Kansas City	T, 4-4	5-7-1			2	,586	28,244
March 11	Los Angeles (NL)	W, 9-2	6-7-1	Gonzalez	Billingsley	4	,898	33,142
	at Milwaukee	L, 3-4	6-8-1	Segovia	Outman	3	,801	
March 12	at Seattle	L, 2-10	6-9-1	Beavan	Moscoso	7	,040	
DATE	OPPONENT	PROB	BABLES			TIME	RADIO/TV	
March 13	Colorado	RHP 1	<u> Γrevor Cahill vs.</u>	<b>RHP Juan Nicas</b>	io	1:05	XTRA Spo	rts 860 AM / CSNCA
March 14	at Cleveland		Dallas Braden vs	s. TBA		1:05		
March 15	Chicago (NL)	LHP E	Brett Anderson v	s. RHP Andrew K	Cashner	1:05		
	at Kansas City	RHP E	Brandon McCart	thy vs. TBA		1:05		
March 16	OFF DAY							
March 17	Chicago (NL)					1:05		
March 18	at Chicago (AL)					4:05	XTRA Spo	rts 860 AM
March 19	Chicago (AL)					1:05	XTRA Spo	rts 860 AM
March 20	Arizona					1:05	XTRA Spo	rts 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 Spo	rts 860 AM
March 27	at Colorado						XTRA Spo	rts 860 AM
March 28	vs. San Francisco (at SF)					7:15	XTRA Spo	rts 860 AM / CSNBA
March 29	vs. San Francisco (at OAK)					7:05	XTRA Spo	rts 860 AM / CSNCA
March 30	vs. San Francisco (at SF)					12:45	XTRA Spo	rts 860 AM