

# OAKLAND ATHLETICS Game Information

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#### A's AT A GLANCE

Season High 1-2 ( Season Low 1-4, 2-5 (Ap April	April 3) ril 6, 8) 2-5
May	0-0
June	0-0
July	0-0
August	0-0
September	0-0
Home Series	0-1-0
Road Series	0-1-0
Series Sweeps	0-0
First Game of Series	0-3
Last Game of Series	2-0
A's Score First	2-3
Opponent Scores First	1-1
Leading After 7 <sup>th</sup>	1-1
Leading After 8 <sup>th</sup>	2-0
Tied After 7 <sup>th</sup>	0-1
Tied After 8 <sup>th</sup>	0-2
Trailing After 7 <sup>th</sup>	1-3
Trailing After 8 <sup>th</sup>	0-3
Commit No Errors	1-2
Commit 1 or More Errors	1-3
More HR Than Opp.	0-0
Fewer HR Than Opp.	1-1
Same Total HR of Opp.	1-4
Starter Pitches 7 or More	2-3
Starter Pitches Less Than 7	0-2
When Scoring 4 or More	1-1
When Scoring Less Than 4	1-4
Last At Bat	0-1
Different Lineups	4

#### A's vs. TWINS

The A's lost the season series 3-6 last year...lost two of three in Oakland and went 2-4 in Minnesota...it was the first time the A's lost the season series to the Twins since 2007...since moving to Oakland in 1968, the A's are 269-282 against Minnesota...that includes 150-122 in Oakland and 119-160 in Minnesota...finished with a 71-86 record in the Metrodome and are 2-5 at Target Field...are 326-351 all-time against the Twins and have a 973-987 record against the Twins/Senators.

### TODAY'S TIDBITS

David DeJesus has a 247-game errorless streak, which is the longest active streak among all Major League outfielders...his last error came on Sept. 15, 2008.

**Mark Ellis** played in the 1,000<sup>th</sup> game of his career Thursday, becoming the 13<sup>th</sup> player in Oakland history to reach 1,000. He has hit safely in 19 of his last 20 games dating back to last year, a stretch in which he's hit .360.

**Hideki Matsui** is a .327 (50 for 153) career hitter against the Twins, his best average against any team...recorded the  $2,500^{\text{th}}$  hit of his professional career Sunday (combined MLB and Japan).

**Conor Jackson** and **Tyson Ross**, both college alums, celebrated the reinstatement of Cal baseball yesterday...the school had dropped the sport earlier this year, but funds were raised to save it.

#### THIS DATE IN A's HISTORY

In **1974**, Joe Rudi ties an Oakland record with three doubles as the A's defeat Kansas City 6-4...in **2004**, the A's tie an Oakland record with eight doubles in an 8-6 win over Seattle... in **2008**, Fernando Hernandez becomes the first reliever in Oakland history to record a win in his Major League debut when he pitches a scoreless eighth inning in the A's 6-3 win at Toronto. OAKLAND ATHLETICS (2-5) VS. MINNESOTA TWINS (3-4) SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2011 – TARGET FIELD – 6:10 P.M. CDT LHP GIO GONZALEZ (1-0, 1.29) VS. RHP NICK BLACKBURN (1-0, 1.59) CSNCA – A'S RADIO NETWORK (95.7 FM – THE WOLF)

#### ABOUT THE A's

**ABOUT THE A'S:** Have lost five of their first seven games this season, including the first game of each of their three series to date...are 2-0 in the last game of a series, 0-4 in all other games...their last three losses have been decided by a combined four runs....this is the A's 44<sup>th</sup> season in Oakland where they have won 14 American League West titles, one AL Wild Card, six AL pennants and four World Championships...only Atlanta (16) and the Yankees (16) have more division titles than the A's...since the A's moved to Oakland in 1968, only the Yankees have more league (11) and world (7) championships...the A's compiled a 3555-3280 (.520) record over the previous 43 seasons in Oakland...only five teams have won more games over that span (New York, Boston, Los Angeles Dodgers, St. Louis, Cincinnati)...the A's went 81-81 last year, snapping a streak of three consecutive seasons with a losing record...this is the Athletics franchise's 111<sup>th</sup> season in the American League...since 1901, the A's have 14 AL West titles plus 15 AL pennants and nine World Championships...only the Yankees (27) and Cardinals (10) have won more World Championships...the A's were 8270-8752 (.486) in their previous 110 seasons...that includes a 3886-4248 record from 1901-54 in Philadelphia and 829-1224 from 1955-67 in Kansas City.

**NINE-GAME ROAD TRIP:** The A's are in the midst of their first road trip of 2011, a nine-game, three-city trip through Toronto (1-2), Minnesota (0-1) and Chicago (AL) (three games)...the nine games are one shy of the longest this season, as the A's play 10 games on two road trips later this year (BOS-BAL-CWS, June 3-12; NYY-BOS-CLE, Aug. 23-Sept. 1)...Oakland posted its fourth straight losing record (34-47) on the road in 2010.

**EARLY DEFENSIVE WOES:** Oakland has not committed an error over the past three games...however, committed a still Major League-leading nine errors over its first four games, the most by an A's team since the 1970 club committed 10 in its first five games...last season, the A's defense ranked fifth in the AL in fielding percentage (.984) and were charged with less than 100 errors (99) for the sixth time in the last seven years.

**DURING THE SPRING:** The A's finished the spring with a 12-21-1 (.368) record, which was the fifth worst mark in the majors...set an Oakland record for Spring Training losses, topping the previous mark of 18 (1993, 2005, 2009)...the winning percentage was fourth lowest since the A's moved to Arizona in 1969...it was the lowest since the 1982 club went 8-14 (.364)...it was the A's third consecutive spring with a losing record.

**LOCKED UP:** The A's have four players 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.

**ROSTER NOTES:** The A's opened the season with 12 pitchers and 13 position players for the fifth time in the last six years...13 players return from last year's Opening Day roster (Anderson, Barton, Blevins, Braden, Breslow, Ellis, Gonzalez, Kouzmanoff, Pennington, Ross, Suzuki, Sweeney, Ziegler)...Mark Ellis was on his eighth Opening Day Roster in the last nine years...five other players on the current roster played for the A's at some point last year (Cahill, Cramer, Crisp, Jackson, Powell)...five signed with the A's as free agents (Balfour, Fuentes, LaRoche, Matsui, McCarthy), which are the most free agents to make the A's Opening Day roster since the 1999 club also had five...the other two players were acquired in a trade (DeJesus, Willingham).

**ROOKIE AND VETERANS:** The A's have one rookie on the Opening Day Roster for the second consecutive season (Cramer)...six players have six or more years of service: Mark Ellis (8 years, 136 days), Brian Fuentes (8 years, 125 days), Hideki Matsui (8 years) Coco Crisp (7 years, 158 days), David DeJesus (6 years, 146 days) and Grant Balfour (6 years, 99 days).

**THE YOUNG AND THE OLD:** The average age on the A's Opening Day roster was 28.96 years, which is nearly two years older than last year (27.16)...the A's current roster features just three players under the age of 25...Trevor Cahill is the youngest at 23 years, 31 days...Brett Anderson is second youngest (23 years, 59 days), followed by Tyson Ross (23 years, 349 days)...there are 11 players that are at least 30 years old...Hideki Matsui is the oldest at 36 years, 293 days...he is followed by Brian Fuentes (35 years, 235 days), Mark Ellis (33 years, 299 days) and Grant Balfour (33 years, 92 days).

**OPENING DAY STARTING LINEUPS:** Five players returned from last year's Opening Day starting lineup (Barton, Ellis, Kouzmanoff, Pennington, Suzuki)...Mark Ellis started at second base for the seventh consecutive season and eighth time in the last nine years...the eight starts are an on-going Oakland record for second basemen and are tied for ninth most by any player...in Athletics history, only Dick Green (10) and Max Bishop (9) have more Opening Day starts as a second baseman...Josh Willingham became the A's 12<sup>th</sup> different Opening Day starter in left field in the last 12 years, Hideki Matsui became the seventh different designated hitter in the last seven years and Trevor Cahill was the A's sixth different starting pitcher in the last six years.

**FOR OPENERS:** The A's have now lost their last seven openers, which is the **longest Opening Day losing streak in Athletics history** (since 1901)...the previous mark was five from 1994-98...it is the longest active Opening Day losing streak in the majors and the longest since the Philadelphia Phillies lost eight straight from 1985-92...it is the longest by an American League team since the Washington Senators lost eight straight from 1963-70.

**THE DISABLED LIST:** The A's began the season with three players on the disabled list (Bailey, Harden, Rosales) and now have four with Wednesday's addition of Wuertz (left hamstring strain) retroactive to April 2...Rosales was placed on the 60-day DL retroactive to March 22 with a fractured right foot...Bailey (strained right forearm) and Harden (strained right shoulder) were placed on the 15-day DL retroactive to March 22...the A's used the DL 23 times last year, which was the second highest total in Oakland history to the record of 25 in 2008...have now used the DL 91 times since the start of the 2007 season, which is second most in the majors to Texas (102)...have not had fewer than three players on the DL since the end of the 2006 season, when they had just one.

#### PITCHING PROBABLES

	Mon., April 11 at CWS Tues., April 12 at CWS	RHP Brandon McCarthy (0-0, 4.50) vs. RHP Scott Baker (0-1, 6.00) LHP Dallas Braden (0-1, 6.43) vs. LHP Mark Buerhle (1-0, 7.36) RHP Trevor Cahill (1-0, 1.42) vs. RHP Edwin Jackson (2-0, 1.93) LHP Brett Anderson (0-1, 1.93) vs. LHP John Danks (0-1, 4.50)	11:10 CSNCA 5:10 CSNCA 5:10 CSNCA 11:10 CSNCA
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# SATURDAY'S STARTING PITCHER: Gio Gonzalez (1-0, 1.29)

GONZA	LEZ	ĽΒ	/ THE	NU	MBE	RS
	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
2011	1	0	1.29	1	7.0	1
2010	15	9	3.23	33	200.2	72
Career	23	20	4.36	64	340.1	165
Home	1	0	1.29	1	7.0	1
Road	0	Ō		0	0.0	0
Day	1	0	1.29	1	7.0	1
Night	0	0		0	0.0	0
Pre-ASB	1	0	1.29	1	7.0	1
Post-ASB	0	0		0	0.0	0
		A	VG.	A	В	Н
vs. LHH			.444		9	4
vs. RHH			.133		15	2

#### RUN SUPPORT

Gonzalez					
Runs Scored	Times				
0	0				
1	0				
2	0				
3	0				
4	0				
5	0				
6	0				
7	1				
8	0				
9	0				
10	0				
Run Support Avg.	9.00				

#### **GONZALEZ vs. MINNESOTA**

	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
2010	1	1	2.77	2	13.0	4
2009	0	1	28.59	2	5.2	18
Career	1	2	10.61	4	18.2	22

Gonzalez' Starts vs. Minnesota

DATE H/A DEC IP н R ER BB SO 7/20/09 H 2.2 10 3 3 3.0 7.0 9/13/09 8 5 Δ Н w 6/6/10 6 3 4 8/13/10 A 60 Δ

#### Minnesota Career Batting vs. Gonzalez

	AVG.	AB	Н	HR	BB	S0
Butera	.000	4	0	0	0	3
Casilla	.000	3	0	0	0	1
Cuddyer	.600	5	3	1	2	1
Kubel	.333	6	2	1	2	1
Mauer	.250	8	2	1	0	0
Morneau	1.000	2	2	2	1	0
Span	.400	10	4	0	3	1
Thome	.000	4	0	0	1	2
Tolbert	.000	2	0	0	0	1
Valencia	.333	6	2	0	0	0
Young	.300	10	3	0	0	2

GONZALEZ'	CAREER HIGHS
Low Hit CG:	6, 8/1/10 at CWS

IP:	8.0 (twice), last: 8/1/10 at CWS
Fewest IP, GS	: 1.2, 9/8/08 at DET
H:	10 (twice), last: 7/20/09 vs. MIN
R:	11, 7/20/09 vs. MIN
ER:	11, 7/20/09 vs. MIN
BB:	6, 8/15/09 vs. CWS
SO:	11, 8/1/10 at CWS
HR:	4, 7/20/09 vs. MIN
Win Streak:	4 (twice), last: 8/24/10 to 9/8/10
Loss Streak:	5, 8/17/08 to 6/30/09
Scoreless Stre	eak: 14.2, 8/4/09 to 8/15/09
Complete Gan	nes: 1, 8/1/10 at CWS
Shutouts:	None

FOR STARTERS: Is scheduled to make his second start of the season...the A's were 19-14 (.576) in his starting assignments last year and are 31-27 (.535) in his

GONZALEZ' 2011 STARTS ERA

IF н R ER BB SO HR #PIT

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Score

April 3 career...tossed six or more innings in 25 of his 33 starts in 2010, allowed two runs or fewer 19 times and walked two batters or fewer 13 times...did not allow a run in eight starts...since 1975, the only other A's pitcher with eight starts in a season without allowing a run is Mike Moore in 1989.

SEA

Opponent

Date

LAST START: Earned the win in the A's 7-1 victory over Seattle Sunday in Oakland...surrendered his only run in the form of a solo home run to Langerhans with one out in the second inning before limiting the Mariners to three hits over his remaining five innings...was relieved by Blevins to start the eighth after throwing 67 of his 116 pitches for strikes

GONZALEZ vs. MINNESOTA: Is 1-2 with a 10.61 ERA (18.2 ip, 27 h, 24 r, 22 er, 11 bb, 17 so, 5 hr) in four career starts...is 0-1 with a 3.00 ERA (2 er in 6.0 ip) in one start at Target Field, 0-1 with a 21.00 ERA (7 er in 3.0 ip) in one start in the Metrodome and 1-0 with a 12.10 ERA (13 er in 9.2 ip) in two starts in Oakland...was 1-1 with a 2.77 ERA (13.0 ip, 9 h, 6 r, 6 er, 5 bb, 11 so) in two starts last year...the win came in a 5-4 A's victory in Oakland June 6...Young scored on an error in the second inning and Tolbert added a sacrifice fly in the third but those were the only runs he would allow in seven innings...then took the loss in a 4-3 decision at Minnesota August 13...allowed two unearned runs in the first inning as a Pennington error preceded a bases loaded walk to Kubel and a Valencia RBI single...the A's tied the game with two runs in the third but he allowed two more runs in the fourth on a Valencia RBI double and a Butera sacrifice on a squeeze bunt...allowed a career high 11 runs on a career high tying 10 hits in just 2.2 innings in a 14-13 A's win on July 20, 2009 in Oakland...left trailing 11-2 and the Twins built a 12-2 lead before the A's came back with three in the third, two in the fourth and seven in the seventh.

THIS SPRING: Was 1-2 with a 2.30 ERA (27.1 ip, 16 h, 7 r, 7 er, 11 bb, 29 so, 2 hr) in six games, all starts...his 29 strikeouts ranked second in the Cactus League and tied for the best total by an A's pitcher since spring training stats were first kept in 1992 (Rich Harden, 2005 and 2007)...also tied for second in the CL in ERA (2.30) and tied for third in innings pitched (27.1)...held the opposition to a .170 (16 for 94) batting average ... did not allow more than two runs in any of his six starts.

G	ONZALE	Z' 201	1 SF	PRIN	G TR	AIN	NG	ST	AR	ΓS	
Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
March 1	CIN	6-7	-	0.00	2.0	0	0	0	0	5	0
March 6	MIL	5-4	-	0.00	3.0	0	0	0	2	5	0
March 11	LAD	9-2	W	0.96	4.1	4	1	1	1	3	1
March 17	CHI (NL)	6-5	-	1.76	6.0	5	2	2	2	6	1
March 23	at CHI (NL)	1-3	L	2.14	5.2	4	2	2	3	6	0
March 29	SF	1-4	L	2.30	6.1	3	2	2	3	4	0
Totals (6	games, 6 st	arts)	1-2	2.30	27.1	16	7	7	11	29	2

2010 RECAP: Began the season as the A's fifth starter but ended up finishing second on the team in wins. posting a 15-9 record with a 3.23 ERA in a team-leading 33 starts...was the only Athletic to spend the entire season in the starting rotation...entered the season with a 7-11 record and 6.24 ERA in 30 games, 24 starts, over his first two seasons.

AMONG THE LEADERS: Tied for fourth in the American League in games started (33), ranked fifth in opponents slugging (.329), eighth in ERA (3.23), 10th in opponents batting average (.229) and tied for 10th in wins (15)...led the A's with 171 strikeouts and 92 walks...his walk total was second highest in the AL...also led the A's in innings pitched (200.2)...yielded just 15 home runs for an average of 0.67 per nine innings, which was 10th lowest in the AL...also ranked 10th in the AL in pitches (3369).

HOME AND AWAY: Had an 8-3 record, a 2.56 ERA and .199 opponents batting average in 16 starts in Oakland, compared to 7-6 with a 3.92 ERA and .257 opponents average in 17 starts on the road...had the lowest home opponents batting average in the majors and ranked eighth in the AL in ERA and tied for ninth in wins.

OPPONENTS BATTING: His opponents batting average broke down to .209 (37 for 177) against lefthanded hitters and .235 (134 for 571) against right-handers...yielded a .188 batting average and .234 onbase percentage to hitters leading off an inning...the on-base percentage was second lowest in the AL while the batting average was third lowest...allowed a .204 batting average with the bases empty and .267 with runners on, although that dropped to .239 with runners in scoring position...held the opponents number three hitter to a .176 average, which was second lowest in the AL.

NIGHT AND DAY: Was 7-1 with a 2.17 ERA and .192 opponents average in 11 starts during the day, 8-8 with a 3.86 ERA and .249 opponents average in 22 starts at night...ranked second in the AL in day ERA, tied for third in wins and fourth in opponents average...is now 10-4 with a 3.69 ERA (49 er in 119.2 ip) in 20 career appearances during the day, compared to 12-16 with a 4.84 ERA (115 er in 213.2 ip) in 43 games at niaht.

RUN SUPPORT: Received run support of two runs or fewer in each of his nine losses and had just six total runs of support in those starts (45.2 ip, 1.18 RSA)...has 18 runs of support in his 20 career losses (94.0 ip, 1.72 RSA)...is 21-4 in 36 career starts with run support of two or more and 1-16 in 21 starts with support of one run or fewer.

MORE 2010: Went 3-3 with a 4.08 ERA over his first seven starts through May 12...then enjoyed a three-game winning streak from May 17 to June 6...compiled a 2.97 ERA and .208 opponents batting average during the five-start stretch...combined with Andrew Bailey on a three-hit shutout in the A's 1-0 win over San Francisco May 22 in Oakland...tossed a career-high 8.0 innings and allowed two hits while walking one...retired each of the final 20 batters he faced and the first two in his next start May 27 at Baltimore...lost consecutive interleague starts June 11 at San Francisco and June 16 at Chicago, allowing a combined 10 runs on 14 hits in 10.1 innings...that increased his overall record at 6-5 with a 4.21 ERA...then went 9-4 with a 2.53 ERA over his final 19 starts beginning June 21...had the third lowest ERA in the AL over that stretch (Hernandez, SEA 1.48; Scherzer, DET 2.20)...was 3-1 with a 3.34 ERA in five starts in July...the ERA was his lowest of any month until he went 3-2 with a 1.98 ERA in six starts in August...tossed his first career complete game, a six-hitter in the A's 4-1 loss at Chicago Aug. 1...struck out a career-high 11, his second career 10-strikeout game ... allowed all four runs in the fifth inning ... won four consecutive starts from Aug. 24 to Sept. 8 to match the longest winning streak of his career...had a 1.75 ERA and .208 opponents average during the streak...combined with Wuertz, Rodriguez and Ziegler on a five-hit shutout in the A's 8-0 win over Los Angeles Sept. 3...picked up his 15th win in his final start of the season at Seattle Sept. 30, pitching 7.0 shutout innings and tossing a career-high 118 pitches.

#### TOMORROW'S PROBABLE STARTING PITCHER

RHP Brandon McCarthy (0-0, 4.50 ERA): Is scheduled to make his second start of the season...did not pitch in the majors in 2010, last appearing in 2009 with Texas when he 7-4 with a 4.62 ERA in 17 games, all starts ...tossed six or more innings in nine of his 17 starts in 2009, allowed two runs or fewer five times and walked two batters or fewer nine times...in his first start of 2011, he had a no decision in the A's 7-6 extra-innings loss to Toronto Tuesday...allowed five runs, four earned, on eight hits over eight innings, walking one while striking out two... was 1-1 with a 4.50 ERA (26.0 ip, 29 h, 14 r, 13 er, 1 bb, 20 so, 1 hr) in six spring training games, all starts, to earn the No. 5 starter role... has not won a game since Sept. 8, 2009 at Cleveland, a 10-5 Texas victory (6.1 ip, 5 h, 5 r, 5 er, 2 bb, 4 so)... was 4-2 with a 3.36 ERA in 11 games last year, nine starts, at Triple-A Oklahoma City in a season interrupted by right shoulder problems... is 0-0 with a 1.33 ERA (20.1 ip, 12 h, 3 r, 3 er, 5 bb, 10 so, 3 hr) in six career games vs. Minnesota, including one start... has not faced the Twins since Aug. 26, 2006 when he allowed one run in 5.1 innings in relief, the only run coming in the form of a solo home run by Hunter... made his only career start against the Twins Sept. 22, 2005, allowing one run over eight innings in a no decision.

# ATHLETICS BULLPEN BRIEFS

0-3, 5.84 ERA (12.1 ip, 14 h, 11 r, 8 er, 5 bb, 13 so, 2 hr) The A's bullpen has not allowed a run in three of its last four games (2 er in 5.0 ip, 3.60 ERA) after yielding three earned runs in each of the first two Save/Save Opportunities: 1/3 (33.3%) games of the season...has been charged with three of the team's five losses...the three losses by relievers are tied for the most in the majors (Los Angeles Angels)...compiled a 3.75 ERA last year, which ranked sixth in the American League...converted 38 of 51 (74.5%) save opportunities, which was third best in the AL...the 13 blown saves tied for the fewest in the AL, but the save opportunities were third fewest and the saves tied for fourth fewest...also ranked fourth in the AL in opponents batting average (.248), fifth in on-base percentage (.325) and eighth in slugging percentage (.394)...held first batters faced to a .214 batting average, which was the third lowest mark in the AL...it was the lowest average by an A's team since 1989 (.199)...allowed 27.1% of inherited runners to score, which was fourth lowest in the AL...compiled a 17-23 (.425) record, which was the second lowest winning percentage in the AL and fourth lowest in Oakland history...it was the lowest by an A's team since 1986 (15-**40 RHP ANDREW BAILEY** Save/Opportunities: 0-0 Last Outing: 3/14 at Cleveland (ND, 0.1 ip, 1 h, 2 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 0 so) First Hitters: 0-0 (0 bb) Inherited Runners/Scored: 0/0 Was placed on the 15-day disabled list March 30 retroactive to March 22 with a strained right forearm...this is his second career stint on the DL. Appeared in just two games this spring, tossing a scoreless inning March 10 against Kansas City and allowing two unearned runs in 0.1 innings March 14 at Cleveland before leaving with his injury. Led the A's in saves (25) and was named to the American League All-Star team for the second consecutive season last year...was 1-3 with a 1.47 ERA in 47 relief appearances...ranked seventh among AL relievers in opponents on-base percentage (.251) and eighth in slugging (.292). **50 RHP GRANT BALFOUR** Save/Opportunities: 0-1 Last Outing: 4/5 at Toronto (L, 0.0 ip, 2 h, 2 r, 2 er, 0 bb, 0 so) Inherited Runners/Scored: 0/1 First Hitters: 1-2 (0 bb) Begins his eighth season in the majors but is on an Opening Day roster for just the third time (2009, 2010). ٠ Was charged with the loss Tuesday in Toronto after allowing a walk-off home run to Escobar in the 10<sup>th</sup> inning.

Has a 5.06 ERA in six career appearances against Minnesota (5.1 ip, 7 h, 3 r, 3 er, 2 bb, 7 so). Was 1-0 with a 6.97 ERA in 11 spring training appearances...tied for seventh in the Cactus League in games pitched...did not allow an earned run over his last five outings (4.1 ip) after posting a 12.00 ERA over his first six contests.

Signed with the A's as a free agent, January 18, 2011.

Made 57 relief appearances for 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 batting average, including .174 against right-handed hitters.

#### **13 LHP JERRY BLEVINS** Save/Opportunities: 0-0 Last Outing: 4/5 at Toronto (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 2 so) Inherited Runners/Scored: 0/2 First Hitters: 0-3 (0 bb)

Begins his fifth Major League season, all with Oakland, and is on his third consecutive Opening Day roster. •

Has a 3.52 ERA in eight career outings against the Twins (7.2 ip, 6 h, 3 r, 3 er, 4 bb, 6 so).

Had no decisions and a 7.30 ERA in a team-leading 12 appearances this spring...tied for fourth in the Cactus League in games pitched...did not allow a run over his last five outings (4.1 ip) after posting an 11.25 ERA over his first seven contests.

The 2010 season was his fourth in the majors but the first where 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 in 64.2 innings over his first three years.

56 LHP CRAIG BRESLOW Inherited Runners/Scored: 1/1	Save/Opportunities: 0-1	Last Outing: 4/2 vs. Seattle (ND, 0.1 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 0 bb, 0 so) First Hitters: 2-2 (0 bb)
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- Has played for five teams in his Major League career, which is now in his sixth season...this is the first time he has started consecutive seasons with the same team.
- Had a 3.18 ERA (2 er in 5.2 ip) in five appearances against Minnesota last year and is 1-0 with a 2.25 ERA in nine career outings against the team (8.0 ip, 5 h, 2 r, 2 er, 4 bb, 7 so).
- Did not appear in a spring training game until March 22 and posted an 11.25 ERA in five appearances...opponents hit .500 (9 for 18).

Made a team-leading 75 appearances for the A's in 2010, registering a 4-4 mark with five saves and 3.01 ERA...the games pitched tied for the fifth highest single season total in Oakland history... also set an Oakland record for strikeouts by a left-handed reliever with 71.

26 LHP BOBBY CRAMER Inherited Runners/Scored: 2/0	Save/Opportunities: 0-0	Last Outing: 4/1 vs. Seattle (ND, 1.2 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 1 bb, 1 so) First Hitters: 0-1 (0 bb)
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Is on his first Opening Day roster as he made his Major League debut with Oakland Sept. 13 of last year at Kansas City.

- Started in his only career appearance against Minnesota last year and earned the win after allowing two runs in 5.2 innings (5 h, 3 bb, 2 so, 2 hr). Was 0-2 with a 7.16 ERA in eight games, three starts, during the spring...went 0-1 with a 10.29 ERA in his three starts and 0-1 with a 4.82 ERA in his five relief appearances.
- Was a combined 15-5 with a 2.71 ERA and 158 strikeouts in 29 games, 27 starts, with Quintana Roo (Mexican League) and Sacramento when he was selected by Oakland Sept. 10...went 2-1 with a 3.04 ERA in four starts with the A's...was named Mexican League Pitcher of the Year.

57 LHP BRIAN FUENTES         Sa           Inherited Runners/Scored: 0/0         Sa	ave/Opportunities: 1-1	Last Outing: 4/7 at Toronto (S, 1.0 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so) First Hitters: 1-2 (0 bb)
Earned his first save of the season Thursday	now has 184 saves since 2005	which are the most by a left-handed reliever over that span

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Has not allowed a run in five career appearances against the Twins (5.1 ip, 1 h, 1 bb, 5 so).

Was 1-1 with a save and a 5.19 ERA in 10 appearances this spring...did not allow a run in eight of his 10 outings.

Signed with the A's as a free agent, January 19, 2011.

Started the 2010 season as the closer with Los Angeles (AL) but finished it in a set-up role with Minnesota...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 AL relievers.

66 RHP TYSON ROSS Inherited Runners/Scored: 0/0	Save/Opportunities: 0-0	Last Outing: 3/24 at Arizona (W, 5.2 ip, 4 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 bb, 3 so) First Hitters: 0-0 (0 bb)
• Was recalled from Triple-A Sacramento Wednesday after being optioned March 30 as one of the team's final cuts before Opening Day.		

Has a 13.50 ERA in two career outings against Minnesota (0.2 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 hr).

Went 1-0 with a 0.59 ERA (1 er in 15.1 ip) in five spring training appearances...recorded 10 strikeouts, walked four and had a .241 opponents batting average.

Was on the A's Opening Day roster last year and made his Major League debut in registering a 1-4 record and 5.49 ERA in 26 games, including two starts...was optioned to Sacramento July 7 and was 2-1 with a 3.55 ERA in six games, all starts, with the River Cats.

48 RHP MICHAEL WUERTZ Inherited Runners/Scored: 0/0	Save/Opportunities: 0-0	Last Outing: 4/1 vs	. Seattle (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 2 so) First Hitters: 0-1 (0 bb)
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Was placed on the 15-day disabled list Wednesday retroactive to April 2 with a left hamstring strain...this is his third career stint on the DL

Did not allow a run in five appearances against the Twins last year (3.1 ip) and has a 1.17 ERA in 10 career outings against the team (7.2 ip, 6 h, 1 r, 1 er, 3 bb, 13 so, 1 hr).

Did not pitch until March 15 this spring and posted a 7.50 ERA in six appearances...allowed at least two runs in three of his six games.

Stranded each of his 17 inherited runners over his final 40 games in 2010.

Was 2-3 with a career-high six saves and a 4.31 ERA in 48 relief appearances with the A's last year...spent the first month of the season on the disabled list with right shoulder tendinitis...tossed just 39.2 innings, which were his fewest since his rookie season of 2004 (29.0).

31 RHP BRAD ZIEGLER	Save/Opportunities: 0-0	Last Outing: 4/6 at Toronto (ND, 1.0 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)
Inherited Runners/Scored: 4/3		First Hitters: 1-2 (0 bb)

• Is in his fourth season with the A's and is on his third consecutive Opening Day roster.

Is 1-1 with a 2.70 ERA in nine career appearances against Minnesota (10.0 ip, 8 h, 4 r, 3 er, 6 bb, 9 so).

- Was 1-0 with a 1.64 ERA in a team-leading 12 appearances this spring...tied for fourth in the Cactus League in games pitched...did not allow a run in 10 of his 12 outings.
- Was 3-7 with a 3.26 ERA in 64 relief appearances last year...the losses tied for the most among American League relievers and his .300 winning percentage was second lowest... yielded four home runs in 60.2 innings after allowing just four in 133.0 innings over his first two seasons.

# ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

10 DARIC BARTON	Career vs. Blackburn (.167, 3-18, 1 HR, 2 BB, 1 SO)	Current Streak: 0 for 4
Minnesota Series: 0-3, r, bb, so	· · · · · · · ·	Road Trip: 2-13, 2 r, 2b, rbi, 4 bb, 4 so

Is 5 for 24 (.208) with an RBI, five walks and seven strikeouts to start the season after hitting .299 in April last year... is a .277 (54 for 195) career hitter in the month, his second highest mark for any month of the season (September, .287).

Committed an error in each of his first three games of the season...the three errors total are tied for the Major League lead...last year, he had seven errors over his first 30 games but just three over his last 127 contests.

Was 6 for 30 (.200) against Minnesota last year and is a career .152 (14 for 92) hitter against the team, his lowest average against any team. Made his second consecutive Opening Day start at first base for the A's, his third in the last four years...in Oakland history, only Mark McGwire (9) and Jason Giambi (4) have made more Opening Day starts at first base.

- Hit .326 with two home runs and eight RBI in 16 games this spring...reached base safely in 15 of his 16 games.
- Batted .273 with 10 home runs, 57 RBI and an American League-leading 110 walks in 2010...the walks fueled a .393 on-base percentage, which was fifth best in the AL...also ranked second in pitches per plate appearance (4.39) and tied for second in times on bases (265).

4 COCO CRISP Minnesota Series: 1-4	Career vs. Blackburn (.500, 4-8, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)	Current Streak: 1 game (1 for 4) Road Trip: 3-17, 2 r, 2b, 3b, 4 so, 2 sb
<ul> <li>Batted 333 (7 for 21) with two</li> </ul>	doubles and two triples during his season-opening five-game hitting	streak however is 1 for 8 (125) in two

- es and two triples during his season-opening five-ga games since.
- Was 7 for 21 (.333) against the Twins last year and is a .281 (91 for 324) career hitter with seven home runs and 26 RBI against the team...the home runs are tied for his second most against any team (CWS, 9).
- Is in his 10<sup>th</sup> Major League season, his second with the A's...is on his seventh Opening Day roster (2004-09), his first as an Athletic.
- Batted .379 with three home runs and 11 RBI in 20 games this spring...led the A's in slugging (.690), runs (14), total bases (40) and triples (2) and tied for the team lead in doubles (5)...tied for fourth in the Cactus League in triples and ranked eighth in slugging...batted leadoff and played center field in all 20 of his games.
- Had his 2010 season interrupted by injury three times, but when healthy, he posted some of the best numbers on the A's...hit .279 with eight home runs and 38 RBI in 75 games and stole a career-high 32 bases...tied for ninth in the AL in steals despite missing over half the season.

12 DAVID DeJESUS Minnesota Series: 1-3, rbi, sf	Career vs. Blackburn (.524, 11-21, 1 HR, 3 BB, 0 SO)	Current Streak: 3 games (4 for 11) Road Trip: 4-11, r, 2b, 2 rbi, bb, 2 so, sf
• Has hit safely in each of his three games during the road trip (4 for 11, 364) after going 1 for 12 (083) in three games in Oakland		

- Is 5 for 23 (.217) overall to start the season after hitting .287 (27 for 94) in April last year...has 13 career home runs in the month, his most for any month of the season.
- Batted .351 (13 for 37) with five doubles, two triples, a home run, four RBI and six runs scored against Minnesota last year...is a .319 (107 for 335) career hitter against the team with 11 home runs and 45 RBI...the home runs and RBI are his most against any team.
- Did not commit an error in 88 games in the outfield last year and now has a 247-game errorless streak, which is the longest active streak among all Major League outfielders...last committed an error Sept. 15, 2008 against Seattle in center field.
- Made his seventh consecutive Opening Day start, his first for the A's in right field...the previous six came with Kansas City (four in center field, one in right field, one in left field)...is the A's fourth different Opening Day starter in right field in the last four years and the seventh in the last eight years.
- Hit .241 with a home run and four RBI in 18 games during the spring.
- Was acquired from Kansas City for Vin Mazzaro and Justin Marks on November 10, 2010 after spending his first eight seasons with the Royals.
- Was batting .318 with 23 doubles, three triples, five home runs and 37 RBI in 91 games with Kansas City last year before thumb surgery ended his season in late July...the batting average was a career high as was his .384 on-base percentage.

Minnesota Series: 1-3, 2b Road Trip: 3-13, 2 2b,	14 MARK ELLIS	Career vs. Blackburn (.462, 6-13, 2 HR, 1 BB, 0 SO)	Current Streak: 2 games (2 for 5)
	Minnesota Series: 1-3, 2b		Road Trip: 3-13, 2 2b, rbi, 3 so

- Played in the 1,000<sup>th</sup> game of his career Thursday, becoming the 13<sup>th</sup> player in Oakland history to reach 1,000. Has hit safely in six of seven games this year and is 6 for 23 (.261) over that span...had his career-high 17-game hitting streak over the last two • seasons snapped Wednesday and batted .373 (25 for 67) over that span...it was the longest two-season hitting streak in Oakland history (previous: Reggie Jackson, 15 games, Sept. 27, 1972 to April 18, 1973)...has now hit safely in 19 of his last 20 games, a stretch where he's batting .360 (27 of 75). Hit .294 (10 for 34) against the Twins last year...however, is a career .256 (54 for 211) hitter against the team.
- Made his seventh consecutive Opening Day start at second base, which sets an Athletics record for consecutive Opening Day starts at second base...the previous mark of six was held by Danny Murphy (1903-08), Eddie Collins (1909-14), Max Bishop (1928-33) and Dick Green (1969-74)...it was his eighth overall, which is an on-going Oakland record for a second baseman...in Athletics history, only Dick Green (10) and Max Bishop (9) have more...the eight Opening Day starts are tied for eighth most by any player in Oakland history.
- Is on his eighth Opening Day Roster in the last nine years.
- Batted .213 with one double and seven RBI in 21 games this spring.
- Is tied for ninth on the Oakland career triples list with 21 (Sal Bando is eighth with 22) and ranks 10<sup>th</sup> with 194 doubles (Mark McGwire is ninth with 195).
- Led the A's in batting for the second time in the last six seasons last year, hitting .291 in 124 games...the average was the second-best mark of his career but he hit just five home runs, which were the fewest of his career...ranked second among AL second basemen in fielding (.995).

28 CONOR JACKSON	Career vs. Blackburn (.000, 0-3, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)	Current Streak: 2 games (3 for 8)
Toronto Series: 3-8, r, 2b, 2 rbi, bb, gidp		Road Trip: 3-8, r, 2b, 2 rbi, bb, gidp
• Is 3 for 8 ( 375) with a double two RBI and a run scored in two starts this season, started in right field Thursday after starting in left Tuesday		

- Made his 2011 debut April 2 as a pinch hitter and flied out...went 1 for 6 in the pinch last year and is now 7 for 50 (.140) with 12 walks and 12 RBI in his career.
- Is 5 for 12 (.417) in three career games against the Twins.
- Is in his seventh Major League season and is on his sixth consecutive Opening Day roster...had started each of the previous five openers for Arizona (three at first base, the last two in left field).
- Hit .176 with no home runs and six RBI in 24 games this spring...appeared in 15 games at first base, seven in right field, three at designated hitter and one in left field.
- Combined to hit .236 with two home runs and 16 RBI in 60 games with Arizona and Oakland last year in a season that was interrupted by three stints on the disabled list...had season-ending surgery for a sports hernia Sept. 1...has four stints on the DL over the previous two years.

- **5 KEVIN KOUZMANOFF** Career vs. Blackburn (1.000, 2-2, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO) Current Streak: 0 for 8 Minnesota Series: 0-3 Road Trip: 2-13, r, 2b, 2 so, gidp
- Committed an error Tuesday after committing two errors on Opening Day, which tied the Oakland record (five times, last: Kurt Suzuki in 2010)...has committed three errors overall, which is tied for the Major League lead.
- Is 4 for 23 (.174) with an RBI and four runs scored over his first seven games and is a .223 (86 for 386) career hitter in April with five home runs and 34 RBI...all three figures are his lowest for any month.
- Made his fifth consecutive Opening Day start at third base, his second with the A's.
- Hit .413 with two home runs and 12 RBI in 22 games this spring...ranked sixth in the Cactus League in batting, tied for sixth in hits (26) and 10<sup>th</sup> in on-base percentage (.449)...led the A's in batting, on-base percentage and hits.
- Led the A's in home runs (16) and extra base hits (49) last year and tied for the team lead in RBI (71)...however, all three figures were the lowest totals over his four full seasons, as were his .247 batting average, .283 on-base percentage and .396 slugging percentage.

21 ANDY LaROCHE Toronto Series: 4-9, 3 r, 2 2b, rbi, 2 so	Career vs. Blackburn (.000, 0-4, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)	Current Streak: 3 games (4 for 9) Road Trip: 4-9, 3 r, 2 2b, rbi, 2 so
5	positions this seasonstarted at second base Thursday is 4 for 9 (.444) with two doubles, an RBI and three runs	
Tuesuay, fils filst career start at the position		

- Batted .333 in April last year and .168 from May 1 through the end of the season...is a .302 (39 for 129) career hitter in April, his best mark for any month of the season.
- Is 1 for 12 (.083) in his career against Minnesota.
- Is in his fifth season in the majors and is on his third Opening Day roster (2009-10 with Pittsburgh).
- Was signed by the A's as a free agent to a minor league contract Jan. 24 and is the only non-roster invitee to make the A's Opening Day roster. Hit .333 in a team-leading 29 games this spring and also topped the club in home runs (4) and RBI (13)...appeared in 12 games at third base, nine at first base, nine at shortstop and five at second base.
- Batted .206 with four home runs and 16 RBI in 102 games with Pittsburgh last year...hit .256 against left-handed pitching compared to .180 with three of his four home runs against right-handers...hit .229 before the All-Star Break, .109 after the break.

55 HIDEKI MATSUI Minnesota Series: 0-4	Career vs. Blackburn (.200, 1-5, 0 HR, 1 BB, 1 SO)	Current Streak: 0 for 4 Road Trip: 2-11, 2b, 2 rbi, 3 so, bb
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• Is 4 for 22 (.182) over his first si	x games and is now a .268 (173 for 646) career hitter in April with 20 h	ome runs and 101 RBIall three figures
are his lowest for any month.		

- This is his 19<sup>th</sup> professional season, which includes 10 years in Japan and nine in the Major Leagues...has now recorded 2,503 hits in his career between the United States and Japan...is also closing in on a combined 500 home runs (has 493) and 1500 runs scored (has 1493)...as a point of reference, 25 players in Major League history have hit 500 home runs, 69 have scored 1500 runs and 93 have collected 2500 hits.
- Was 9 for 23 (.391) against Minnesota last year and is a .327 (50 for 153) career hitter against the Twins, his best average against any team.
- Made his ninth consecutive Opening Day start as a Major Leaguer...is the A's seventh different Opening Day designated hitter in the last seven years (Chavez, Giambi, Cust, Piazza, Thomas, Durazo).
- Batted .169 with one home run and two RBI in 22 games this spring...made 20 of his 22 appearances at designated hitter (also pinch hit once and played left field once).
- Batted .274 with 21 home runs and 84 RBI in 145 games last year with Los Angeles...topped 20 home runs for the fifth time in his last seven seasons and it was the sixth time in eight Major League seasons he drove in 80 or more runs...the games played were his most since 2005.

2 CLIFF PENNINGTON Minnesota Series: 1-3, sb	Career vs. Blackburn (.500, 3-6, 1 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)	Current Streak: 3 games (3 for 8) Road Trip: 3-8, 2 so, sb
<ul> <li>Is 4 for 17 (.235) with no walks and four</li> </ul>	r strikeouts this season and is a career .242 (23 for 95) hitter	in Aprilhowever, did hit three of his six

- home runs last year during April.
- Was 7 for 22 (.318) with three doubles and two runs scored against the Twins last year and is a career .311 (14 for 45) hitter against the team, his second highest average against any team (.341, BAL).
- Batted .224 with one home run and eight RBI in 17 games this spring...went 6 for 20 (.300) over his last seven games after hitting .172 over his first 10 contests.
- Batted .292 (7 for 24) with two RBI, two walks, three stolen bases and three runs scored against Toronto last year.
- Hit .250 with six home runs and 46 RBI in 156 games in his first full season at the Major League level last year...ranked fourth in the American League with eight triples, tied for fourth with 12 sacrifice hits and fifth with a stolen base percentage of 85.3 (29-of-34).

#### 11 LANDON POWELL Career vs. Blackburn (.000, 0-2, 0 HR, 1 BB, 1 SO) Current Streak: 1 game (1 for 1) Seattle Series: 1-1 Homestand: 1-1

- Batted .237 with two home runs and four RBI in 20 games this spring...went 5 for 16 (.313) over his final 11 games after hitting .182 over his first nine contests.
- Is 3 for 13 (.231) in his career against the Twins.
- Is on the A's Opening Day roster for the second time in the last three years (also 2009).
- Had four stints with Oakland last year and batted .214 with 2 HR and 11 RBI in 41 games...spent all but five weeks of the season with the A's, seeing limited action as the back-up to Kurt Suzuki...made a total of 29 starts at catcher, including just 14 over the A's final 97 games.

# 7 ADAM ROSALES

- Current Streak: 0 for 0 Was placed on the 60-day disabled list March 30 retroactive to March 22 with a fractured right foot...this is his second career stint on the DL as he finished the 2010 season on the DL with a stress fracture in his right ankle.
- Batted .271 with 7 HR and 31 RBI in 80 games with Oakland last year before going on the DL in mid-August...became the first Athletic to start at least one game at six different positions (45 at second, 10 at short, five at third, three at first, three in left and one at DH) since Brosius in 1995.

8 KURT SUZUKI Minnesota Series: 0-3	Career vs. Blackburn (.308, 4-13, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)	Current Streak: 0 for 5 Road Trip: 2-14, 2 2b, bb, 3 so, gidp
Played in the 500 <sup>th</sup> game of his career Thursday		

- game of his career Thursday.
- Is 4 for 23 (.174) with one RBI to start the season but is a career .285 (67 for 235) hitter in April.
- Made his fourth straight Opening Day start at catcher...the four starts are tied for second most by a catcher in Oakland history (Steinbach, 90).
- Hit .255 with two home runs and 12 RBI in 19 games this spring.
- Tied for the team lead in RBI (71) last year and tied for second in home runs (13)...tied for second among AL catchers in starts (121), despite missing 19 games while on the DL and three while on the BL...had career lows in batting (.242), on-base (.303) and slugging (.366).

#### **15 RYAN SWEENEY** Career vs. Blackburn (.222, 2-9, 0 HR, 1 BB, 1 SO) Current Streak: 0 for 2 Seattle Series: 0-2, gidp Homestand: 0-2, gidp Pinch hit in each of the season's first two games (0 for 2) and has not recorded an at-bat since...is now 2 for 18 (.111) with seven strikeouts in

- his career in the pinch.
- Is on his fourth consecutive Opening Day roster with the A's...had started each of the previous three A's openers (two in center, one in right). Did not commit an error in 81 games last year and now has a 117-game errorless streak dating back to his last miscue Aug. 15, 2009...that is

the sixth longest errorless streak by an outfielder in Oakland history...the longest of his career is a career-opening 123-game streak. Batted .395 with a home run and five RBI in 13 games this spring...did not appear in a game until March 9. Was batting a team-leading .294 with one home run and 36 RBI in 82 games in 2010 before undergoing season-ending surgery July 30...his batting average has improved each of his three seasons with Oakland as he hit .286 in 2008 and .293 in 2009.

#### **16 JOSH WILLINGHAM** Minnesota Series: 1-4, so, sb

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Career vs. Blackburn (---, 0-0, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)

Current Streak: 1 game (1 for 4) Road Trip: 3-15, 2 r, hr, 2 rbi, 7 so, sb, sf

Has opened his A's career with a .231 average (6 for 26), no walks and 12 strikeouts...however, leads the team in home runs (two) and RBI (five) and is tied for the team lead in runs scored (five).

- Has a .288 (112 for 389) career average in April, his best for any month of the season.
- Hit his second career Opening Day home run (also March 31, 2008 vs. New York-NL)...the home run came in his first at bat, making him the 10<sup>th</sup> •
- player in Oakland history to homer in his first at bat with the A's...the last before him was Frank Thomas on April 3, 2006. Made his fifth career Opening Day and all have come in left field (also 2006-08, 2010)...is the A's 12<sup>th</sup> different Opening Day starter in left field in the last 12 years (Buck, Holliday, Brown, Stewart, Payton, Byrnes, Kielty, Long, Jeremy Giambi, Damon, Grieve). •
- Batted .217 with one home run and nine RBI in 22 games this spring.
- Was acquired by the A's December 16, 2010 from the Washington Nationals for Henry Rodriguez and Corey Brown.
- Batted .268 with 16 home runs and 56 RBI in 114 games with Washington last year in a season that ended early following knee surgery in late August... had career highs in walks (67) and on-base percentage (.389) and matched his best in steals (8).

# A's vs. MINNESOTA

PITCHING	6
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# 2011 OAKLAND ATHLETICS SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

3/31         OFF DAY         2           4/1         1         SEA         L         2-6         0-1         4           4/2         2         SEA         L         2-5         0-2         4           4/3         3         SEA         W         7-1         1-2         3           4/4         OFF DAY         3         3         4/5         4 at TOR         L         6-7 (10)         1-3         4           4/5         5 at TOR         L         3-5         1-4         4         4/7         6 at TOR         W         2-1         2-4         t3	GA/         LEADER         CUM.           GB         AND LEAD         WINNER         LOSER         SAVE         ATT.         ATT.           -½         L/A         ½         -//         IAM         ½         -//         ATT.         ATT.           -1         SEATEX         -         Hernandez         Breslow         26,067*         36,067         36,067           -2         SEATEX         -         Ray         Fuentes         League         15,088         51,155           -2         SEATEX         -         Gonzalez         Fister         22,292         73,447           -2         ½         TEX         2         -         -         (3 dates)           -2         ½         TEX         3         Frasor         Balfour         11,077         11,077           -4         ½         TEX         3         Litsch         Braden         Rauch         11,684         22,761           -4         TEX         -         3         Cabill         Frasor         Fuentes         19,528         42,289           -4         ½         TEX         -3½         Pavano         Anderson         Nathan         40,14	6/28 81 FLA 6/29 82 FLA 6/30 83 FLA 7/1 84 ARI 7/2 85 ARI 7/3 86 ARI 7/5 88 SEA 7/6 89 SEA 7/7 OFF DAY 7/8 90 at TEX 7/9 91 at TEX 7/10 92 at TEX	5:05 CSNCA 5:05 CSNCA
4/5         4         at OR         L         6-7(10)         1-3         4           4/6         5         at OR         L         3-5         1-4         4           4/7         6         at OR         W         2-1         2-4         13           4/8         7         at MIN         L         1-2         2-5         13           DATE         G         OPP         TIME         TV           4/9         8         at MIN         1.10         CSNC/           4/11         10         at CWS         5:10         CSNC/           4/11         10         at CWS         5:10         CSNC/           4/13         12         at CWS         11:10         CSNC/           4/15         14         DET         7:05         CSNC/           4/16         15         DET         6:05         CSNC/           4/18         OFF DAY         -         -         CSNC/           4/12         20         at SEA         7:10         CSNC/           4/12         20         at SEA         7:10         CSNC/           4/12         21         at SEA         7:10         <	<ul> <li>3 ½ TEX 3 Fraor Balfour 11,077 11,077 41/5 TEX 3 Litsch Braden Rauch 11,684 22,761 41 TEX 3 Cahill Fraor Fuents 9,752 42,289 41/5 TEX 3/2 Pavano Anderson Nathan 40,714 83,003 (4 dates)</li> <li>PROMOTION</li> <li>A's Fleece Blanket sponsored by Bay Area News Group (10,000 fans) A's Home Cap sponsored by Cache Creek Casino Resort (10,000 fans) A's Home Cap sponsored by Cache Creek Casino Resort (10,000 fans) A's Kids Wristbands sponsored by Chevy (7,500 kids) / Little League Day #1</li> <li>Rickey Henderson Bobblehead sponsored by Kingsford Capital Management (20,000 fans) Magnet Set (7,500 kids) / Scout Day</li> <li>Atleticos Shirt sponsored by Chevy / Cinco de Mayo (10,000 fans) A's Kids Bat sponsored by Chevy (7,500 kids) / Little League Day #2</li> <li>Jewish Heritage Night</li> <li>A's Fireworks Show sponsored by Xiinity</li> </ul>	7/6         89         SEA           7/7         OFF DAY           7/8         90 at TEX	12:35 505 CSNCA 506 CSNCA 506 CSNCA 507 CSNCA 508 CSNCA 508 CSNCA 509 CSNCA 509 CSNCA 509 CSNCA 500
6/15         70         KC         7:05         CSNC/           6/16         71         KC         12:35         5           6/17         72         SF         7:05         CSNC/           6/18         73         SF         7:05         CSNC/           6/18         73         SF         7:05         CSNC/           6/19         74         SF         1:05         CSNC/           6/20         OFF DAY         6/20         OFF DAY           6/21         75         at NYM         4:10         CSNC/           6/22         76         at NYM         4:10         CSNC/           6/23         77         at NYM         10:10         CSNC/           6/24         78         at PHI         4:05         CSNC/           6/25         79         at PHI         4:05         CSNC/           6/26         80         at PHI         10:35         CSNC/           6/26         80         at PHI         10:35         CSNC/           6/27         OFF DAY		9/20 154 TEX 9/21 155 TEX 9/22 156 TEX 9/23 157 at LAA 9/24 158 at LAA 9/25 159 at LAA 9/25 159 at LAA 9/26 160 at SEA 9/27 161 at SEA 9/28 162 at SEA	7:05 CSNCA 12:35 CSNCA 12:35 CSNCA 6:05 CSNCA 12:35 CSNCA 12:35 CSNCA 7:10 CSNCA 7:10 CSNCA

# HIGHS AND LOWS

#### TEAM BATTING Most Runs, Game ۸'c

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Most Runs, Game, A's	
Most Runs, Game, Opponents	
Most Runs, Inning, A's	4, April 3 vs. Seattle (7th)
Most Runs, Inning, Opponents	
Most Hits, Game, A's	13, April 5 at Toronto
Most Hits, Game, Opponents	
Most Hits, Inning, A's	5, April 5 at Toronto (3rd)
Most Hits, Inning, Opponents	4, April 5 at Toronto (6th)
Most Home Runs, Game, A's	1 (twice), last: April 5 at Toronto
Most Home Runs, Game, Opponents	1 (four times), last: April 6 at Toronto
Most Doubles, Game, A's	
Most Doubles, Game, Opponents	
Most Triples, Game, A's	1, April 3 vs. Seattle; April 6 at Toronto
Most Triples, Game, Opponents	1, April 6 at Toronto
Most Stolen Bases, Game, A's	2, April 8 at Minnesota
Most Stolen Bases, Game, Opponents	

#### TEAM PITCHING

Most Strikeouts, A's	
Most Strikeouts, Opponents	
Most Walks, A's	
Most Walks, Opponents	
Fewest Hits Allowed, A's	
Fewest Hits Allowed, Opponents	

### TEAM MISCELLANEOUS

Longest Winning Streak		.1, April 3
Longest Losing Streak		April 5-6
Longest Game, Time, Nine Innir	ngs 2:58, April 2 v	s. Seattle
Longest Game, Time, Extra Inni	ngs2:54, April 5 a	t Toronto
Shortest Game, Time	2·18. April 6 a	t Toronto
Largest Margin, Victory		attle (7-1)
Largest Margin, Loss	4, April 1 vs. Sea	attle (2-6)
Most Left on Base, Nine Inning (	Game8, April 3 v	s. Seattle
	Game	
Fewest Left on Base, Game		s. Seattle
Most Errors, Game	5, April 1 v	s. Seattle
Largest Comeback in Win		s. Seattle
Largest Lead Surrendered in Lo	ss	t Toronto

#### INDIVIDUAL BATTING Most Runs, Gam

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Most Runs, Game	2 (three times), last:, Josh Willingham and Andy LaRoche, April 5 at Toronto
Most Doubles, Game	
Most Triples, Game	
Most Home Runs, Game	1 (twice), Josh Willingham, April 1 vs. Seattle; April 5 at Toronto
Most Strikeouts, Game	
Most Stolen Bases, Game	
Longest Hitting Streak	

#### INDIVIDUAL PITCHING

Most Strikeouts, Game	
Most Walks, Game	4, Trevor Cahill, April 1 vs. Seattle
Most Innings, Game, Starter	n McCarthy, April 5 at Toronto; Brett Anderson, April 8 at Minnesota
Most Innings, Game, Reliever	
Low Hit Complete Game	
Most Consecutive Scoreless Innings	
Most Consecutive Batters Retired	

# **STARTS IN THE ORDER**

PLAYER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Barton	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Crisp	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
DeJesus	-	-	5	-	-	1	-	-	-	
Ellis	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	-	-	
Jackson	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Kouzmanoff	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	5	-	
LaRoche	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	
Matsui	-	-	-	-	5	1	-	-	-	
Pennington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Powell	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Suzuki	-	-	-	-	-	5	2	-	-	
Sweeney	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Willingham	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	

# MULTIPLE HIT GAMES

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PLAYER	2	3	4	5	TOT
Barton	0	1	0	0	1
Crisp	0	1	0	0	1
DeJesus	1	0	0	0	1
Ellis	0	0	0	0	0
Jackson	1	0	0	0	1
Kouzmanoff	2	0	0	0	2
LaRoche	1	0	0	0	1
Matsui	1	0	0	0	1
Pennington	0	0	0	0	0
Powell	0	0	0	0	0
Suzuki	0	0	0	0	0
Sweeney	0	0	0	0	0
Willingham	1	0	0	0	1

# **MULTIPLE RBI GAMES**

PLAYER	2	3	4	5	6	TOT
Barton	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crisp	0	0	0	0	0	0
DeJesus	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ellis	0	1	0	0	0	1
Jackson	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kouzmanoff	0	0	0	0	0	0
LaRoche	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matsui	1	0	0	0	0	1
Pennington	0	0	0	0	0	0
Powell	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suzuki	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sweeney	0	0	0	0	0	0
Willingham	2	0	0	0	0	2

# GAME TYING/GO-AHEAD RBI

PLAYER	GT	GA	тот
Barton	0	0	0
Crisp	1	0	1
DeJesus	0	2	2
Ellis	0	1	1
Jackson	0	2	2
Kouzmanoff	0	0	0
LaRoche	0	0	0
Matsui	0	1	1
Pennington	0	0	0
Powell	0	0	0
Suzuki	0	0	0
Sweeney	0	0	0
Willingham	1	2	3

# GAMES BY POSITION

PLAYER	C G	GS	1B G	GS	2B G	GS	3B G	GS	SS G	GS	LF	GS	CF	GS	RF G	GS	DH	GS
Barton	0	05	7	03	0	05	0	05	0	05	0	05	0	05	0	05	0	05
	-	-	/	/	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	_	-	-	-	-
Crisp	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- 7	- 7	-	-	-	-
DeJesus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	-	-
Ellis	-	-	-	-	7	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jackson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	-	-
Kouzmanoff	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
LaRoche	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Matsui	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6
Pennington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Powell	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suzuki	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweeney	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Willingham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	-	-	-	-	1	1

# HOME RUN BREAKDOWN

REGULAR SEASON HOME RUNS						LAST	REGULAR SEA	Grand Slams (0)		
Player	Solo	2R	3R	GS	Tot.	Date	Opponent	Pitcher	GP Since	None
Barton	0	0	0	0	0	Oct. 1, 2010	at Seattle	French	9	Pinch Hit Home Runs (0)
Crisp	0	0	0	0	0	Sept. 8, 2010	Seattle	French	15	None
DeJesus	0	0	0	0	0	June 13, 2010	at Cincinnati	Masset	35	Lead Off Home Runs (0)
Ellis	0	0	0	0	0	Oct. 2, 2010	at Seattle	Pauley	8	None
Jackson	0	0	0	0	0	Aug. 16, 2010	Toronto	Marcum	6	Back-To-Back Home Runs (0)
Kouzmanoff	0	0	0	0	0	Oct. 3, 2010	at Seattle	Olson	7	None
LaRoche	0	0	0	0	0	Sept. 24, 2010	Houston	Myers	6	Inside-The-Park Home Runs (0)
Matsui	0	0	0	0	0	Oct. 3, 2010	at Texas	Lewis	6	None
Pennington	0	0	0	0	0	Sept. 30, 2010	at Seattle	Varvaro	10	Walk-Off Wins (0)
Powell	0	0	0	0	0	Sept. 18, 2010	at Minnesota	Slowey	5	None
Rosales	0	0	0	0	0	July 18, 2010	at Kansas City	Bannister	10	
Suzuki	0	0	0	0	0	Oct. 3, 2010	at Seattle	Rowland-Smith	7	
Sweeney	0	0	0	0	0	May 4, 2010	Texas	Feldman	56	
Willingham	1	1	0	0	3	April 5, 2011	at Toronto	Frasor	3	
Team	1	1	0	0	2					

# MILESTONES

Player	Category	No.	Needs				
Bailey	Saves		10 for 61 (ties Howell for 6th in Oakland history)	Player	Category	No.	Needs
Balfour	Games		37 for 300	Ellis (cont.)			15 for 100
Barton	Games	378	122 for 500		RBI		81 for 500
	Games at 1B	367	20 for 385 (ties Tenace for 5 <sup>th</sup> in Oakland history)		Extra Base Hits	301	50 for 351 (ties Steinbach for 10th in Oakland
	Hits		174 for 500				history)
	Doubles	74	26 for 100	Fuentes	Games	553	47 for 600
Braden	Games	92	8 for 100		Saves	188	12 for 200
	Games Started	77	23 for 100	Gonzalez	Innings	333.1	166.2 for 500
	Innings	480.1	19.2 for 500		Strikeouts	314	186 for 500
Breslow	Games	230	70 for 300	Kouzmanof	f Home Runs	78	22 for 100
Cahill	Innings	388.0	112.0 for 500	LaRoche	Games	368	132 for 500
Crisp	Games	914	86 for 1000	Matsui	Runs (Total)	1493	7 for 1500 (Japan plus MLB)
	Hits	949	53 for 1000		Doubles (Total)	467	33 for 500 (Japan plus MLB)
	Doubles		18 for 200		Home Runs (Tota	al) 493	7 for 500 (Japan plus MLB)
	Stolen Bases	172	28 for 200		Walks (MLB)	484	16 for 500
DeJesus	Games	882	118 for 1000	Suzuki	Games at C	472	65 for 537 (ties Heath for 3 <sup>rd</sup> in Oakland history)
	Hits		24 for 1000		Hits		19 for 500
	Doubles	188	12 for 200		Doubles	95	5 for 100
Ellis	Games		87 for 1088 (ties Rudi for 10 <sup>th</sup> in Oakland history)	Sweeney	Games		134 for 500
	Games at 2B	969	29 for 996 (ties Collins for 3 <sup>rd</sup> in Athletics history)		Hits		142 for 500
	At Bats	3634	336 for 3970 (ties Canseco for 10th in Oakland		Doubles		28 for 100
			history)	Wuertz	Games	388	12 for 400
	Hits		26 for 1000		Strikeouts		86 for 500
	Doubles		6 for 201 (ties Lansford for 8th in Oakland history)	Ziegler	Games	181	19 for 200
	Triples	21	1 for 22 (ties Bando for 8 <sup>th</sup> in Oakland history)				

# DISABLED LIST

Player	Injury	Dates	Games Mis	sed	Player	Injury	Dates	Games Mis	sed
Bailey	Strained right forearm	March 22-present (elig	gible April 6)	7	Rosales	Fractured right foot	March 22-presen	nt (eligible May 21)	7
Harden	Strained right shoulder	March 22-present (elig	gible April 6)	7	Wuertz	Strained left hamstring	April 6-present (	eligible April 17)	3

The A's have placed four players on the disabled list this season...placed 23 players on the disabled list in 2010,17 in 2009, an Oakland record 25 in 2008 and 22 in 2007.

# TRANSACTIONSMarch 13Adrian Cardenas, Fautino De Los Santos and Sean Doolittle optioned to<br/>Sacramento; Pedro Figueroa optioned to Midland60-day disabled list retroactive to March 22 (fractured right fool); Andrew<br/>Bailey placed on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to March 22 (strained<br/>right forearm); Rich Harden placed on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to March 22 (strained<br/>right forearm); Rich Harden placed on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to Amrch 22 (strained<br/>to March 25 Chris Carter optioned to Sacramento<br/>March 27 Joey Devine optioned to Sacramento<br/>March 30April 6Michael Wuertz placed on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to April 2<br/>(strained left hamstring); Tyson Ross recalled from Sacramento.