A's News Links, Wednesday, February 27, 2013

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Oakland A's A.J. Griffin strong in first Cactus League start

By John Hickey, Oakland Tribune

http://www.insidebayarea.com/athletics/ci_22673958/oakland-j-griffin-strong-first-cactus-league-start

Inside the Oakland A's: A's Anderson on track for opening day start

By John Hickey, Oakland Tribune

http://www.ibabuzz.com/athletics/

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A's Hiro Nakajima gets 1st of spring

Susan Slusser, San Francisco Chronicle

http://www.sfgate.com/athletics/article/A-s-Hiro-Nakajima-gets-1st-of-spring-4311264.php

The Drumbeat: An A's regular on mound: A.J. Griffin goes today

From Chronicle Staff Writer Susan Slusser at Talking Stick

http://blog.sfgate.com/athletics/2013/02/26/an-as-regular-on-mound-a-j-griffin-goes-today/

At least A's aren't caught in Miami vise

John Shea, San Francisco Chronicle

http://www.sfgate.com/athletics/shea/article/At-least-A-s-aren-t-caught-in-Miami-vise-4310751.php

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Griffin's remarkable rise inspiring A's confidence

Righty's first Cactus League start curiously follows MLB and postseason debuts

By Cash Kruth / MLB.com

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Griffin sharp, but A's relievers roughed up by homers

Starter tosses two scoreless innings in debut; Norris goes deep

By Steve Gilbert / MLB.com

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US, Mexico highlight Arizona pool in Classic

By Barry M. Bloom / MLB.com

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Given extra chance, Nakajima gets first MLB hit

Reddick gets the runner -- but didn't mean to

Simmons making an impression on Melvin

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Pennington's blast helps D'backs top A's 9-4

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Nakajima 'very relieved' after first hit in America

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Griffin prepared for higher expectations in sophomore season

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Young expected to return to lineup Wednesday

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A's Notes: Projecting the rotation, Simmons shines

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Jemile Weeks seeks starting spot for A's

By RICK EYMER, ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Jorge L. Ortiz, USA TODAY Sports

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