



OAKLAND ATHLETICS

Game Information

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YESTERDAY

The A's and the White Sox played to a 4-4 tie in Phoenix...Jarrod Parker started for the A's and retired each of the first 12 batters before allowing two runs in the fifth...those were the only two runs he would allow in 6.0 innings (3 h, 2 bb, 5 so)...the A's were trailing 2-0 before scoring four times in the sixth...Yoenis Céspedes had a RBI double and Derek Norris added a RBI single...Brandon Moss then delivered a RBI single to give the A's the lead and Norris scored on a wild pitch...Chris Resop pitched a scoreless seventh before Pedro Figueroa allowed two runs in the eighth to tie the game...Pat Neshek then pitched a scoreless ninth.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS (10-12-3) VS. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS (11-12-4)
SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2013 – SCOTTSDALE STADIUM – 1:05 P.M.

ABOUT THE A'S

ABOUT THE A'S: Played to their third tie of the spring last night against the White Sox, matching the most by an A's team since moving to Arizona in 1969 (also 2010)...all three ties have come over the last eight games and all have lasted nine innings...are 3-8-1 on the road compared to 7-4-2 at Phoenix Muni...A's pitchers have walked just 68 batters, which is second fewest in the majors...however, have yielded 278 hits, which is fourth most...have the second highest ERA (5.85) to the Angels (7.26)...the offense is tied for second in the majors in walks (104), tied for third in on-base percentage (.370), ranks fifth in doubles (59) and sixth in batting (.288) and hit by pitches (13)...have hit 12 home runs over the last seven games after tallying just four round trippers over the previous nine contests...this is the A's 45th Spring Training in Arizona, including their 32nd consecutive spring in Phoenix...trained in Mesa from 1969-78, moved to Scottsdale in 1979 and have been in Phoenix since 1982...will train again in Phoenix next year before moving to a renovated Hohokam Stadium in Mesa in 2015...the A's are scheduled to play 33 games this spring, not including the exhibition game win against Italy's WBC team earlier this month...the schedule includes 30 games in Arizona and three in the Bay Area against San Francisco (March 28-30)...the A's went 15-7-2 last spring, their first spring with a winning record since 2008 (18-8)...it was the best record among Cactus League teams and third best in the majors behind Toronto (24-7-1) and Detroit (20-8-5)...the 15 wins were three more than the A's total from each of the previous two springs (12-21-1 in 2011, 12-17-3 in 2010), despite playing just 24 games.

A's vs. GIANTS

This is the second of five meetings between the A's and Giants this spring...the A's lost the first game in Phoenix March 1 by a score of 13-9...also square off three times in the Bay Area in San Francisco (March 28-29) and Oakland (March 30)...the A's lost three of four games last spring, going 0-1 in Scottsdale and Oakland and 1-1 in San Francisco.

ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

Daric Barton snapped a 0 for 17 streak with a two-run double in the eighth inning Thursday against the Reds...is now 1 for 18 (.056) with seven walks and three hit by pitches (.393 on-base percentage) over his last 10 games after going 5 for 9 (.556) over his first four contests...is tied for third in the Cactus League in walks (9)...**Yoenis Céspedes** hit his second home run of the spring last Tuesday at the Dodgers and is 8 for 28 (.286) over his last 10 games after going 0 for 11 over his first five contests...**Coco Crisp** is 5 for 9 (.556) over his last three games after going 1 for 10 over his previous four contests...**Josh Donaldson** is 7 for 19 (.368) with two home runs and seven RBI over his last seven games after going 1 for 20 (.050) with no RBI over his first eight contests...homed in back-to-back games last Saturday and Sunday, his first two home runs of the spring...that does not include a two-homer game in the rainout March 8 at Seattle...**John Jaso** is 1 for 10 over his last six games...**Jed Lowrie** is 9 for 25 (.360) with three doubles, two home runs and nine RBI over his last nine games after going 3 for 11 (.182) with two RBI over his first five contests...has appeared in seven games at shortstop, four at second base and three at third base...**Luke Montz** snapped a spring-opening 0 for 13 streak with a two-run home run in the second inning a week ago today against Los Angeles (AL)...has appeared in 12 games at catcher and five at first base...**Brandon Moss** had his fourth multiple hit game last Sunday against the Cubs and is now 12 for 34 (.353) over his last 12 games after going 1 for 8 (.125) over his first three contests...**Hiro Nakajima** is 0 for 17 with two walks and a hit by pitch over his last seven games after going 6 for 16 (.375) over his previous six contests...**Derek Norris** is 7 for 12 (.583) with two doubles, two home runs, five RBI and three multiple hit games over his last four games...is tied for sixth in the CL in home runs (4) and runs (12)...**Andy Parrino** is 7 for 15 (.467) over his last 10 games...has appeared in seven games at third base, seven in left field, five at shortstop, two at second base and one in right field...**Shane Peterson** is 1 for 11 over his last seven games after hitting .472 over his first 17 contests...is tied for fourth in the Cactus League in doubles (6)...is the only Athletic to appear in all possible games...has appeared in 14 games in right field, 11 in left field, six in center field and one at first base...**Josh Reddick** left the game after two innings yesterday against the White Sox with a sprained left ankle...hit his third home run of the spring a week ago today against Los Angeles (AL)...is 10 for 28 (.357) with three doubles, three home runs and 10 RBI over his last 11 games after going 1 for 8 (.125) over his first four contests...**Adam Rosales** is 6 for 14 (.429) with four runs, a double, two home runs, five RBI and two hit by pitches over his last six games after going 1 for 10 over his previous seven contests...hit his first two home runs of the spring last Sunday against the Cubs...also drove in four runs after tallying just two over his first 14 contests...is tied for seventh in the CL in walks (8)...has appeared in seven games at shortstop, six at second base, five at third base and two in left field...**Scott Sizemore** is 4 for 15 (.267) with a double and triple over his last five games after going 2 for 22 (.091) over his previous 10 contests...has appeared exclusively at second base on defense...**Seth Smith** is 1 for 15 over his last five games after going 9 for 18 (.500) over his first nine contests...has appeared in seven games in left field, six at designated hitter and one in right field...**Eric Sogard** struck out in his only at bat yesterday after hitting safely in each of his previous seven games...is now 12 for 18 (.667) with six doubles and three walks over his last eight games...had his streak of eight consecutive plate appearances reaching base safely end Thursday at Cincinnati (seven hits, one walk)...had his streak of five consecutive games with a double end Tuesday...is tied for the CL lead in doubles (7)...went 4 for 4 last Sunday against the Cubs...has appeared in seven games at second base, seven at shortstop, five at third base and one at designated hitter...**Jemile Weeks** is 4 for 15 (.267) with three walks over his last six games after he was out of action from March 2 to 13...hit safely in each of his first four games (6 for 11, .545)...is a .371 (39 for 105) hitter in 44 spring games over the last three years...**Chris Young** is 6 for 34 (.176) over his last 12 games...hit his first home run last Sunday against the Cubs...has appeared in 11 games in center field, four in right field, two in left field and one at designated hitter.

IN CAMP

The A's have 38 players remaining in camp, not including Fernando Rodriguez, who was placed on the DL today...that includes 35 players on the 40-man roster and three non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 18 pitchers, three catchers, 11 infielders and six outfielders.

MINOR LEAGUE EXTRAS

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| Anthony Aliotti, IF | Omar Duran, LHP |
| Jeremy Barfield, OF | Tyler Johnson, RHP |
| Conner Crumbly, IF | Kyler Newby, RHP |
| Josh Horton, IF | Ryan Lipkin, C |

A's ON THE AIR

The A's radio network will broadcast 13 games this spring, including 10 from Arizona and all three games against San Francisco in the Bay Area in April...the Arizona schedule includes all weekend games...remaining games can be heard in the Bay Area on the A's flagship station, 95.7 FM The Game, with the exception of tomorrow...Ken Korach returns for his 18th year in the A's broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (8th) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 28th season in the booth...in addition, Comcast SportsNet California will televise two games: tomorrow against Los Angeles (NL) and Saturday, March 30 against San Francisco...Glen Kuiper joins Fosse in the broadcast booth for those telecasts...in addition, A's vs. Giants games will be televised by CSNBA on March 23 and 28 and KNTV on March 29...all games from Arizona not aired on the A's Radio Network can be heard live via the A's website at oaklandathletics.com.

TRANSACTIONS

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| Feb. 4 | Jed Lowrie and Fernando Rodriguez acquired from the Houston Astros for Chris Carter, Brad Peacock and minor leaguer Max Stassi |
| Feb. 12 | Hideki Okajima signed to a minor league contract and invited to Major League camp as a non-roster invitee |
| March 3 | Andrew Carignan reassigned to minor league camp |
| March 9 | Bruce Billings, Sonny Gray and Justin Thomas reassigned to minor league camp |
| March 10 | Jesse Chavez and Andrew Werner optioned to Sacramento; Michael Ynoa optioned to Beloit; Miles Head, Jefry Marte, Kyler Newby, Ryan Ortiz, Addison Russell and Beau Taylor reassigned to minor league camp |
| March 11 | Arnold Leon optioned to Sacramento |
| March 16 | Garrett Olson released |
| March 17 | Grant Green and Michael Taylor optioned to Sacramento; Michael Choice, David Freitas, Brian Gordon, Scott Moore and Darwin Perez reassigned to minor league camp |
| March 23 | Nate Freiman claimed off waivers from the Houston Astros; Fernando Rodriguez placed on the 60-day disabled list with a sprained right elbow. |

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

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

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

#57 TOMMY MILONE LHP (1-0, 4.73 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fifth start of the spring...has allowed seven runs in his last two starts (8.1 ip, 7.56 ERA) after not allowing a run over his first two starts (5.0 ip)...went 13-10 with a 3.74 ERA in a team-leading 31 starts for Oakland in 2012...also led the A's in innings pitched (190.0), had the only complete game and tied for the team-lead in wins...fellow rookie Jarrod Parker also won 13 games, both setting an Oakland record for wins by a rookie...struck out 137, which was the fourth best rookie total in Oakland history and the sixth best in Athletics history...also tied for the fifth most games started by an Oakland rookie (31) and was sixth in innings pitched (190.0)...tied for the lead among Major League rookies in complete games...tied for second among American League rookies in wins and games started, ranked third in innings pitched and was fifth in strikeouts...his ERA ranked third among AL rookies with 130 or more innings.

MILONE'S SPRING TRAINING STARTS

| Date | Opponent | Dec | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | HR | BF |
|--------|----------|-----|------|----|---|----|----|----|----|----|
| 3/2 | COL | - | 2.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 7 |
| 3/7 | SEA | W | 3.0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 12 |
| 3/12 | KC | - | 3.7 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 17 |
| 3/17 | CHI | - | 4.7 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 20 |
| Totals | | | 13.3 | 17 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 8 | 2 | 56 |

ALSO AVAILABLE TO PITCH

#48 RYAN COOK RHP (1-1, 8.44 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his seventh appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in his last three outings (2.2 ip), including his last appearance Monday against Seattle (0.2 ip, 2 so)...allowed at least two runs in each of his previous two outings...was the A's lone representative to the American League All-Star team last year as a 25-year-old rookie...went 6-2 with 14 saves, a 2.09 ERA and .166 opponents batting average in 71 appearances...tied the Oakland rookie record for games pitched (Aaron Small, 1997) and had the third best save total...his ERA was fifth best among Oakland rookies with 50 or more innings...ranked second among AL rookies in saves and games pitched...however, had seven blown saves, which tied for second most among all AL pitchers...his save percentage of 66.7% was the lowest in the majors and tied for second lowest in Oakland history...ranked third among AL relievers in opponents batting average, fourth in slugging percentage (.261) and fifth in ERA.

#62 SEAN DOOLITTLE LHP (2-0, 1.80 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his sixth appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in four of his five outings, including his last appearance last Sunday against the Cubs when he picked up his second win of the spring (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 so)...has not walked a batter in 5.0 innings while striking out seven...was converted to pitcher late in 2011 and had just one professional appearance on the mound entering the 2012 season...appeared in six games at Single-A Stockton, eight at Double-A Midland and two at Triple-A Sacramento before he was promoted to Oakland June 4...spent the rest of the season with the A's, posting a 2-1 record with a save and a 3.04 ERA in 44 appearances in his Major League debut...struck out 60 batters in just 47.1 innings, an average of 11.41 per nine innings...that was the third best average in Athletics history among pitchers with 40 or more innings...walked just 11 batters for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 5.45...allowed a .227 opponents batting average.

#77 JORDAN NORBERTO LHP (0-0, 6.14 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his seventh appearance of the spring...has allowed at least one run in three of his six appearances, including his last outing Tuesday at the Dodgers (1.2 ip, 5 h, 2 r, 1 er)...went 4-1 with a save and a 2.77 ERA in 39 games in a season shortened by two stints on the disabled list with injuries to his left shoulder...missed 18 games in June and the final 44 games of the regular season after going on the DL Aug. 18...had a 3.91 ERA in 21 appearances before going on the DL the first time...then compiled a 1.69 ERA in 18 games following his return...held the opposition to a .200 batting average, including .184 (21-for-114) against right-handed hitters compared to .225 (16-for-71) against left-handers...allowed just 4-of-24 (16.7%) inherited runners to score...first batters faced were 6-for-37 (.162) with two walks (.205 on-base percentage)...opponents hit .191 with runners in scoring position, including .115 with RISP and two outs.

#58 EVAN SCRIBNER RHP (0-0, 1 SV, 6.48 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his eighth appearance of the spring...has allowed two runs in each of his last two outings, including his last appearance Tuesday at the Dodgers (1.1 ip, 3 h, 2 r, 2 er, 2 so)...split the 2012 season between Oakland and Sacramento...was 2-0 with a save and a 2.55 ERA in 30 relief appearances over three stints with the A's...posted a 3-0 record, eight saves and a 3.03 ERA in 26 games with the River Cats...allowed a .221 opponents batting average with the A's, including .183 (15-for-82) against right-handed hitters compared to .278 (15-for-54) against left-handers...first batters faced were 4-for-28 (.143) with two walks (.200 on-base percentage)...with Sacramento, was a perfect 8-for-8 in save opportunities and led the River Cats in saves...struck out 38 batters in 35.2 innings (9.59 per nine innings)...allowed a .203 opponents batting average, which included a .147 mark against right-handers compared to .283 against left-handers.

2013 OAKLAND ATHLETICS SPRING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

| DATE | OPPONENT | SCORE | RECORD | WINNER | LOSER | ATTEND. | HOME CUM. |
|-------------|-------------------------|--|---------|-------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| February 23 | at Milwaukee | L, 1-2 | 0-1 | Fiers | Chavez | 6,132 | |
| February 24 | at Los Angeles (AL) | W, 7-5 | 1-1 | Neshek | Taylor | 5,213 | |
| February 25 | Cleveland | L, 10-14 | 1-2 | Masterson | Werner | 2,026 | 2,026 |
| February 26 | at Arizona | L, 4-9 | 1-3 | Bell | Ekstrom | 5,682 | |
| February 27 | San Diego | W, 11-6 | 2-3 | Straily | Stults | 1,867 | 3,893 |
| February 28 | at Chicago (NL) | L, 3-5 | 2-4 | Wood | Colón | 4,037 | |
| March 1 | San Francisco | L, 9-13 | 2-5 | Casilla | Blackley | 7,243 | 11,136 |
| March 2 | Colorado | W, 6-3 | 3-5 | Gray | Chacin | 4,585 | 15,721 |
| March 3 | at Colorado | W, 7-2 | 4-5 | Griffin | Chatwood | 8,315 | |
| March 4 | Los Angeles (AL) | W, 13-5 | 5-5 | Cook | Carpenter | 3,751 | 19,472 |
| March 5 | at Kansas City | L, 2-8 | 5-6 | Chen | Colón | 2,647 | |
| | Italy (exhib.) | W, 4-3 | | Anderson | Mariotti | 2,026 | |
| March 6 | OFF DAY | | | | | | |
| March 7 | Seattle | W, 7-3 | 6-6 | Milone | Maurer | 4,213 | 23,685 |
| March 8 | at Seattle | Cancelled, Rain | | | | | |
| March 9 | at Texas | L, 3-4 | 6-7 | Balester | Cook | 7,305 | |
| March 10 | Arizona | W, 7-5 | 7-7 | Doolittle | Skaggs | 5,411 | 29,096 |
| March 11 | at San Diego | L, 0-10 | 7-8 | Ross | Parker | 4,369 | |
| March 12 | Kansas City | W, 6-3 | 8-8 | Neshek | Shields | 4,789 | 33,885 |
| March 13 | OFF DAY | | | | | | |
| March 14 | Texas | L, 2-6 | 8-9 | Wells | Straily | 6,434 | 40,319 |
| March 15 | at Arizona | T, 2-2 | 8-9-1 | | | 12,516* | |
| March 16 | Los Angeles (AL) | T, 13-13 | 8-9-2 | | | 8,739* | 49,058 |
| | at Chicago (AL) | L, 5-11 | 8-10-2 | Sale | Parker | 5,547 | |
| March 17 | Chicago (NL) | W, 12-6 | 9-10-2 | Doolittle | Berken | 7,184 | 56,242 |
| March 18 | Seattle | L, 5-6 | 9-11-2 | Iwakuma | Griffin | 6,305 | 62,547 |
| March 19 | at Los Angeles (NL) | L, 1-7 | 9-12-2 | Capuano | Straily | 7,320 | |
| March 20 | OFF DAY | | | | | | |
| March 21 | at Cincinnati | W, 10-9 | 10-12-2 | Anderson | Cueto | 4,694 | |
| March 22 | Chicago (AL) | T, 4-4 | 10-12-3 | | | 7,363 | 69,910 |
| DATE | OPPONENT | PROBABLES | TIME | RADIO/TV | | | |
| March 23 | at San Francisco | LHP Tommy Milone vs. RHP Tim Lincecum | 1:05 | 95.7 FM The Game | | | |
| March 24 | Los Angeles (NL) | RHP A.J. Griffin vs. RHP Josh Beckett | 1:05 | CSNCA/A's Radio Network | | | |
| March 25 | Milwaukee | RHP Bartolo Colón vs. LHP Chris Narveson | 1:05 | | | | |
| March 26 | at Cleveland | | 1:05 | | | | |
| March 27 | Colorado | | 1:05 | | | | |
| March 28 | San Francisco (at S.F.) | | 7:15 | 95.7 FM The Game | | | |
| March 29 | San Francisco (at S.F.) | | 7:15 | 95.7 FM The Game | | | |
| March 30 | San Francisco (at Oak.) | | 1:05 | CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game | | | |