



OAKLAND ATHLETICS

Game Information

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YESTERDAY

The A's defeated the Los Angeles Dodgers in Phoenix, 7-4...A.J. Griffin allowed a two-run home run to in the top of the first but Jed Lowrie countered with a two-run shot of his own in the bottom of the inning...Griffin allowed another run in the third but the A's scored five times in the bottom of the third to take the lead for good...Chris Young scored on a Brandon Moss ground out to tie the game and Seth Smith had a two-run single to give the A's the lead...Derek Norris closed out the A's scoring with a two-run home run...Griffin allowed four runs on five hits and one walk while striking out eight in 4.2 innings for the win...Jerry Blevins (0.1 ip), Grant Balfour (1.0 ip), Hideki Okajima (1.0 ip) and Mike Ekstrom (2.0 ip) all tossed scoreless relief.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS (12-12-3) VS. MILWAUKEE BREWERS (10-16-2)
MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2013 – PHOENIX MUNICIPAL STADIUM – 1:05 P.M.

ABOUT THE A'S

ABOUT THE A'S: Are 3-0-1 over the last four games after going 1-4-2 over the previous seven contests...have three ties this spring, which matches the most by an A's team since moving to Arizona in 1969 (also 2010)...all three ties have come over the last 10 games and all have lasted nine innings...are 8-4-2 at Phoenix Muni compared to 4-8-1 on the road...A's pitchers have walked just 72 batters, which is second fewest in the majors (Cleveland, 70)...however, have yielded 297 hits, which is sixth most...have the second highest ERA (5.74) to the Angels (6.96)...the offense ranks second in the majors in walks (116) and on-base percentage (.374), fourth in batting (.291), tied for fifth in doubles (61) and tied for sixth in hit by pitches (13)...have hit 17 home runs over the last nine 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.

OPENING DAY: Opening Day is a week from today...the A's will host the Seattle Mariners at 7:05 pm...Brett Anderson is scheduled to start for the A's against Felix Hernandez...Anderson will be the A's eighth different Opening Day starter in the last eight years...the A's will open against the Mariners for the fourth consecutive season, which are the most consecutive openers against one team in Athletics history.

A's vs. BREWERS

This is the second and final meeting between the A's and Brewers this spring...the A's lost the first contest at Maryvale 2-1 in the Cactus League opener on February 23...the A's won both games last spring, a 6-0 victory at Maryvale March 6 and an 8-6 decision in Phoenix March 13.

ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

Daric Barton is 1 for 21 (.047) with nine walks and three hit by pitches (.394 on-base percentage) over his last 11 games...overall, is batting .200 with a .455 on-base percentage... is tied for second in the Cactus League in walks (11)...snapped a 0 for 17 streak with a two-run double in the eighth inning last Thursday against the Reds...**Yoenis Cespedes** is 7 for 19 (.368) with a double, three home runs and six RBI over his last six games after hitting .179 over his first 11 contests...had his first multiple hit game Saturday at San Francisco, going 3 for 5 with his third home run...**Coco Crisp** stole his first two bases of the spring Saturday against San Francisco...is 5 for 13 (.385) over his last four games after going 1 for 10 over his previous four contests...**Josh Donaldson** is 8 for 18 (.444) with two home runs, eight RBI and three multiple hit games over his last six games after going 2 for 25 (.080) with no RBI over his first 10 contests...has two home runs this spring, which does not include a two-homer game in the rainout March 8 at Seattle...**Nate Freiman** was claimed off waivers from Houston Saturday and went 0 for 4 with a strikeout in a start at designated hitter yesterday against the Dodgers in his A's debut...hit .278 (10 for 36) with a home run and seven RBI in 19 games this spring with the Astros...has appeared exclusively at first base on defense (12 games)...**John Jaso** had his first multiple hit game of the spring yesterday (2 for 5) after going 1 for 10 over his previous six games...had his second triple Saturday against the Giants, which is tied for seventh in the CL...**Jed Lowrie** is 10 for 31 (.323) with three doubles, three home runs and 11 RBI over his last 11 games after going 3 for 11 (.182) with two RBI over his first five contests...is tied for eighth in the CL in RBI (13)...has appeared in eight games at shortstop, four at second base and four at third base...**Luke Montz** is 2 for 8 (.250) over his last six games after starting the spring 0 for 13...has appeared in 14 games at catcher and five at first base...**Brandon Moss** is 14 for 38 (.368) over his last 14 games after going 1 for 8 (.125) over his first three contests...**Hiro Nakajima** is 0 for his last 21 with three walks and a hit by pitch...hit .300 over his first eight games...**Derek Norris** homered for the third time in his last four games yesterday against the Dodgers and now has five for the spring, which is tied for fifth in the CL...those are the most spring home runs by an Athletic since Nick Swisher had five in 2007...has hit safely in each of his last five games and is 8 for 14 (.571) with two doubles, three home runs, seven RBI and three multiple hit games over that span...is tied for seventh in the CL in runs (13)...**Andy Parrino** has not played since March 18...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...**Josh Reddick** left the game after two innings Friday against the White Sox with a sprained left ankle...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** hit his third home run of the spring Saturday at San Francisco and is now 7 for 16 (.438) with five runs, a double, three home runs, seven RBI and two hit by pitches over his last seven games after going 1 for 10 over his previous seven contests...has appeared in eight games at shortstop, six at second base, five at third base and two in left field...**Scott Sizemore** is 1 for 8 with four walks over his last three games...overall, is batting .171 with a .331 on-base percentage...has appeared exclusively at second base on defense...**Seth Smith** is 4 for 8 (.500) with three RBI over his last two games after going 1 for 15 over his previous five contests...has appeared in seven games in left field, six at designated hitter and three in right field...**Eric Sogard** is 15 for 22 (.682) with six doubles, a home run and four walks (.731 on-base percentage) over his last 10 games...is tied for the CL lead in doubles (7) and is tied for ninth in hits (21)...has one four-hit game, one three-hit game and two two-hit games...has appeared in eight games at second base, seven at shortstop, six at third base and one at designated hitter...**Chris Young** is 3 for 8 (.375) with four runs on three walks over his last three games...has appeared in 12 games in center field, four in right field, two in left field and one at designated hitter.

IN CAMP

After optioning Shane Peterson and Jemile Weeks to Sacramento yesterday, the A's now have 36 players in camp, including Bartolo Colon, who will open the season on the suspended list...that includes 33 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and three non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 18 pitchers, three catchers, 10 infielders and five outfielders.

MINOR LEAGUE EXTRAS

Dusty Coleman, IF	Phil Pohl, C
Conner Crumbliss, IF	Myrio Richard, OF
Brian Gordon, RHP	James Simmons, RHP

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...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...one more game will be televised by Comcast SportsNet California: 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 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

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, Jeffrey 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
March 24	Shane Peterson and Jemile Weeks optioned to Sacramento

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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

#40 BARTOLO COLÓN RHP (0-2, 7.36 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fifth appearance and third start of the spring...his last appearance was a start in a minor league game against the Angels March 20 (5.0 ip, 10 h, 5 r, 2 bb, 3 so)...his two starts in Cactus League play were on March 5 and 15...opponents are hitting .415 (22 for 53) but he has walked just one while striking out 13 in 11.0 innings...was 10-9 with a 3.43 ERA in 24 starts last year when he was suspended for 50 games Aug. 22 after testing positive for Testosterone, a performance-enhancing substance in violation of Major League Baseball's Joint Drug Prevention and Treatment Program...had five games remaining on the suspension at the end of the playoffs...won 10 games for the ninth time in his career, but it was his first 10-win season since 2005...at the age of 39, he became just the third pitcher in Oakland history to win 10 games in a season at age 36 or older...issued just 23 walks in 152.1 innings for an average of 1.36 per nine innings, which was the lowest mark of his career...struck out 91 for a strikeout to walk ratio of 3.96, which was also a career-best...was 6-7 with a 4.22 ERA in 15 starts when he was placed on the 15-day disabled list June 23 retroactive to June 18 with a strained right oblique...was reinstated July 3 and went 4-2 with a 2.30 ERA over his final nine starts.

COLÓN'S SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
2/28	at CHI	L	2.0	5	3	1	0	4	0	12
3/5	at KC	L	2.0	7	5	5	0	2	1	12
3/10	ARI	-	3.0	4	1	1	1	4	0	13
3/15	at ARI	-	4.0	6	2	2	0	3	0	18
Totals			11.0	22	11	9	1	13	1	55

ALSO AVAILABLE TO PITCH

#65 PEDRO FIGUEROA LHP (0-0, 3.72 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his ninth appearance of the spring...has allowed at least one run in each of his last two appearances, including his last outing Friday night against the White Sox (1.0 ip, 4 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 so)...made his Major League debut with the A's in 2012...had five separate stints with the club in his first full professional season since June, 2010 "Tommy John" surgery...posted a 3.32 ERA, holding the opposition to a .216 batting average in 19 relief appearances...however, issued 15 walks in 21.2 innings for a .348 opponents on-base percentage...his opponents batting average included a .179 mark against left-handed hitters compared to .239 against right-handers...allowed a .120 average with runners in scoring position...allowed 2-of-12 (16.7%) inherited runners to score...was also 0-2 with a save, a 2.62 ERA and .212 opponents batting average in 32 relief appearances with Sacramento in his Triple-A debut...surrendered just one home run in 44.2 innings.

#77 JORDAN NORBERTO LHP (0-0, 5.40 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his eighth appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in four of his last five outings, including his last appearance Saturday at the Giants (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 bb)...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.

#67 DAN STRAILY RHP (1-2, 6.59 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his sixth appearance of the spring...the previous five outings were starts...has allowed at least two runs in each of his five starts...began the 2012 season having never pitched above Single-A but finished the season in the starting rotation in Oakland...led all of Minor League Baseball with a career-high 190 strikeouts...also went 2-1 with a 3.89 ERA in seven starts over two stints with the A's...struck out 32 batters in 39.1 innings, giving him a combined 222 strikeouts in 191.1 innings in the majors and minors (10.44 per nine innings)...allowed a .237 opponents batting average, including .215 (20-for-93) against right-handed hitters compared to .271 (16-for-59) against left-handers...was named A's Minor League Co-Pitcher of the Year along with A.J. Griffin after combining for a 9-7 record and a 2.78 ERA in 25 starts with Double-A Midland and Triple-A Sacramento...his 190 strikeouts are fourth most by a minor leaguer in Oakland history...allowed a .202 opponents batting average, which ranked 11th among full season minor leaguers.

STRAILY'S SPRING TRAINING STARTS

Date	Opponent	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
2/27	SD	W	1.3	2	2	2	1	1	0	8
3/4	LAA	-	2.3	4	2	2	0	2	0	12
3/9	at TEX	-	3.0	3	2	1	1	3	0	13
3/14	TEX	L	3.0	3	4	2	1	3	0	15
3/19	at LAD	L	4.0	5	3	3	3	4	2	20
Totals			13.7	17	13	10	6	13	2	68

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
March 23	at San Francisco	W, 12-5	11-12-3	Milone	Lincecum	12,224*	
March 24	Los Angeles (NL)	W, 7-4	12-12-3	Griffin	Beckett	8,351*	78,261
DATE	OPPONENT	PROBABLES				TIME	RADIO/TV
March 25	Milwaukee	RHP Bartolo Colón vs. LHP Chris Narveson				1:05	
March 26	at Cleveland	LHP Brett Anderson vs. RHP Zach McAllister				1:05	
March 27	Colorado	RHP Jarrod Parker vs. TBA				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