

**A's News Links, Thursday, April 18, 2013**

**OAKLAND TRIBUNE**

**A's sweep Astros again**

By John Hickey, Oakland Tribune

[http://www.insidebayarea.com/athletics/ci\\_23047397/sweep-astros-again](http://www.insidebayarea.com/athletics/ci_23047397/sweep-astros-again)

**Inside the Oakland A's: Game 16 wrapup: Colon offers perspective on Peterson's first hit; Norris hopes to be back Friday**

By John Hickey, Oakland Tribune

<http://www.ibabuzz.com/athletics/2013/04/17/game-16-wrapup-colon-offers-perspective-on-petersons-first-hit-norris-hopes-to-be-back-friday/>

**Inside the Oakland A's: Crisp good to go, but gets day off anyway; Peterson here, but he'll be gone tomorrow**

By John Hickey, Oakland Tribune

<http://www.ibabuzz.com/athletics/2013/04/17/game-16-wrapup-colon-offers-perspective-on-petersons-first-hit-norris-hopes-to-be-back-friday/>

**SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE**

**A's make it 6 straight over Astros**

**Oakland has 2 sweeps against 1st-year AL member Houston**

John Shea, San Francisco Chronicle

<http://www.sfchronicle.com/athletics/shea/article/A-s-make-it-6-straight-over-Astros-4443040.php?t=5adbba8dcb28c9ccac>

**Chris Carter finally gets full-time gig**

By John Shea, San Francisco Chronicle

<http://www.sfchronicle.com/athletics/article/Chris-Carter-finally-gets-full-time-gig-4443564.php?t=736acd1ae828c9ccac>

**The Drumbeat: A's now 12-4 — half the wins are against the Astros following 7-5 victory**

By John Shea

<http://blog.sfgate.com/athletics/2013/04/17/as-now-12-4-half-the-wins-are-against-the-astros-following-7-5-victory/>

**OAKLANDATHLETICS.COM**

**Six-run first lifts A's to second sweep of Astros**

Right-hander Colon tosses six strong innings for second win

By Joe Stiglich / Special to MLB.com

[http://mlb.mlb.com/mlb/gameday/index.jsp?gid=2013\\_04\\_17\\_houmlb\\_oakmlb\\_1&mode=recap\\_home&c\\_id=oak](http://mlb.mlb.com/mlb/gameday/index.jsp?gid=2013_04_17_houmlb_oakmlb_1&mode=recap_home&c_id=oak)

**Smith's hot bat keeping him in lineup**

- Rosales to begin Minor League rehab assignment
- Norris leaves game with jaw injury, X-rays negative
- Peterson collects first Major League hit

By Joe Stiglich / Special to MLB.com

[http://oakland.athletics.mlb.com/news/print.jsp?ymd=20130417&content\\_id=45054100&notebook\\_id=45054554&vkey=notebook\\_oak&c\\_id=oak](http://oakland.athletics.mlb.com/news/print.jsp?ymd=20130417&content_id=45054100&notebook_id=45054554&vkey=notebook_oak&c_id=oak)

**Rays welcome A's, team with best record in AL**

By Jesse Sanchez / MLB.com

[http://mlb.mlb.com/mlb/gameday/index.jsp?gid=2013\\_04\\_19\\_oakmlb\\_tbamlb\\_1&mode=preview&c\\_id=oak](http://mlb.mlb.com/mlb/gameday/index.jsp?gid=2013_04_19_oakmlb_tbamlb_1&mode=preview&c_id=oak)

**COMCASTSPORTSNET.COM**

### **A's take care of business in sweep of Astros**

Casey Pratt, csnbayarea.com

<http://www.csnbayarea.com/blog/casey-pratt/take-care-business-sweep-astros>

### **A's extras: Peterson pranked, Lowrie's birthday, etc.**

Casey Pratt, csnbayarea.com

<http://www.csnbayarea.com/blog/casey-pratt/extras-peterson-pranked-lowries-birthday-etc>

### **Instant Replay: A's 7, Astros 5**

Casey Pratt, csnbayarea.com

<http://www.csnbayarea.com/blog/casey-pratt/instant-replay-7-astros-5>

### **A's notes: Crisp's day off, A's aren't opposed to stealing**

Casey Pratt, csnbayarea.com

<http://www.csnbayarea.com/blog/casey-pratt/notes-crisps-day-arent-opposed-stealing>

### **A's extras: Crisp gets Wednesday off**

Casey Pratt, csnbayarea.com

<http://www.csnbayarea.com/article/extras-crisp-gets-wednesday>

## **ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### **A's sweep Houston again**

**Six-run first inning, Colon's strong start propel Oakland to AL-best 12-4 record**

By MICHAEL WAGAMAN, ASSOCIATED PRESS

<http://www.pressdemocrat.com/article/20130417/SPORTS/130419563/1010/SPORTS?template=printart>

## **EXAMINER.COM**

Oakland goes for second sweep of Houston in 2013 today at the Coliseum

Sam McPherson, examiner.com

[http://www.examiner.com/article/oakland-goes-for-second-sweep-of-houston-2013-today-at-the-coliseum?CID=examiner\\_alerts\\_article](http://www.examiner.com/article/oakland-goes-for-second-sweep-of-houston-2013-today-at-the-coliseum?CID=examiner_alerts_article)

## **SACRAMENTO BEE**

**Melvin: A's 'hitting on all cylinders' as they hit the road**

Matt Kawahara, Sacramento Bee

**Read more here:** <http://blogs.sacbee.com/bay-area-baseball/2013/04/melvin-as-hitting-on-all-cylinders-as-they-hit-the-road.html#storylink=cpy>

## **ESPN.COM**

**The man behind the A's potent offense**

Buster Olney, espn.com

<http://insider.espn.go.com/espn/print?id=9185579&type=story>

## **MINOR LEAGUE TEAMS**

### **SACRAMENTO RIVER CATS**

**River Cats Lost to 51s in Walk-Off Fashion**

Sacramento River Cats

[http://www.milb.com/news/print.jsp?ymd=20130418&content\\_id=45117774&vkey=news\\_t105&fext=.jsp&sid=t105](http://www.milb.com/news/print.jsp?ymd=20130418&content_id=45117774&vkey=news_t105&fext=.jsp&sid=t105)

### **MIDLAND ROCKHOUNDS**

**ROCKHOUNDS: Goebbert settles in after trade from Oklahoma City**

Oscar LeRoy, Midland Reporter Telegram

[http://www.mywesttexas.com/sports/article\\_61bbbfc6-c415-5bb4-b0dd-db3e12afad5e.html?mode=print](http://www.mywesttexas.com/sports/article_61bbbfc6-c415-5bb4-b0dd-db3e12afad5e.html?mode=print)

**STOCKTON PORTS**

**Ports Salvage Series Finale In San Jose**

Stockton Ports

[http://www.milb.com/news/print.jsp?ymd=20130417&content\\_id=45117100&vkey=recap&fext=.jsp&sid=t524](http://www.milb.com/news/print.jsp?ymd=20130417&content_id=45117100&vkey=recap&fext=.jsp&sid=t524)

**BELOIT SNAPPERS**

Game postponed