

JAKLAND ATHLETICS

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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (6-4-3) VS. LOS ANGELES DODGERS (4-6-3)

MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2014 – CAMELBACK RANCH – 1:05 P.M. A'S WEBCAST – MLB NETWORK (TAPE DELAY, MARCH 11 AT 7:00 A.M.)

ABOUT THE A'S: Had their third tie game of the spring yesterday, which matches the most by an A's team since moving to Arizona in 1969 (2010, 2013)...have 14 tie games over the last six springs...are 4-1-2 at Phoenix Muni and 2-3-1 on the road...A's hitters rank second 4-1-2 at Phoenix Muni and 2-3-1 on the road... As hitters rank second in the majors in strikeouts (102) and fourth in walks (47)...this is the A's 46th Spring Training in Arizona, including their 33rd and final spring in Phoenix...return to Mesa next spring, where the A's trained from 1969-78 after moving from Florida...moved to Scottsdale in 1979 and have been in Phoenix since 1982...are scheduled to play 34 games this spring, including 31 games in Arizona and three in the Bay Area against San Francisco (March 27-29)...the A's went 17-13-3 last spring, which was the third best record in the Cactus League and sixth best in the majors...went 15-7-2 in 2012, marking the first time they have posted a winning record in consecutive springs since 2007-08.

YESTERDAY: The A's tied the White Sox in Phoenix, 2-2...Eric Sogard had a RBI single in the third inning to give the A's a 1-0 lead and Josh Donaldson homered to start the fifth to make the score 2-0...Dan Straily started for the A's and tossed 3.1 scoreless innings (2 h, 3 bb, 2 so)...Fernando Abad followed with 0.2 scoreless innings and Jim Johnson retired the side in order in the fifth...Tommy Milone pitched the final four innings and allowed two unearned runs on errors by Yoenis Céspedes and Jake Elmore (1 h, 2 r, 2 so)...Brandon Moss, Stephen Vogt and Sogard had two hits each.

PLAYER NOTES: Billy Burns is tied for the Major League lead in runs (7) and ranks second in stolen bases (7)...is tied for fifth in the Cactus League in hits (9)...the seven steals match the most by an A's player during a non-strike spring since at least 1991, the first year spring stats are available (also Rajai Davis, 2009)... Alberto Callaspo had his second two-hit game Saturday at Colorado after going 1 for 12 over his previous five contests...has appeared in five games at third base, one at first base and one at designated hitter... **Yoenis Céspedes** is tied for sixth in the CL in RBI (6)... **Coco Crisp** has reached base safely in each of his six games...singled in the third inning Saturday at Colorado for his first hit...is tied for second in the CL in walks (6)... *Jake Elmore* had his first two-hit game Friday against Arizona and is 3 for 7 (.429) over his last three games after going 1 for 10 (.100) over his first five contests...has appeared in six games at second base, three at third base and one at shortstop... **Nate Freiman** had his first two-hit game Saturday at Colorado after going 1 for 15 over his first eight contests... **Sam Fuld** is tied for the CL lead in runs (7) and ranks eighth in slugging (.565)...has appeared in seven games in left field, three in center field and one in right field... Chris Gimenez has appeared in nine games at catcher, one at first base and one in left field... Jed Lowrie has hit safely in each of his last three games (3 for 8, .375) after going 2 for 10 (.200) over his first five contests... Jose Martinez has appeared in six games at second base and four at third base... Brandon Moss has four multiple hit games in five contests...has reached base safely via hit or walk in each of his five games... Nick Punto has reached base safely via hit or walk in each of his seven games...has appeared in four games at second base and three at shortstop... Addison Russell is 5 for 13 (.385) over his last six games after going 1 for 10 (.100) over his first five contests... *Eric Sogard* had his first two-hit game yesterday against Chicago (AL) after going 1 for 18 over his first seven games... *Michael Taylor* had his third multiple hit game Saturday at Colorado...is 7 for 13 (.538) over his last six games after going 0 for 10 over his previous four contests...is tied for fifth in the CL in hits (9), tied for eighth in total bases (15) and tied for ninth in doubles (3)...is the only Athletic to play in all 12 possible games this spring...**Stephen Vogt** had his third multiple hit game yesterday against Chicago (AL)...has reached base safely via hit or walk in all seven of his games...is tied for fifth in the CL

A's vs. DODGERS: This is the second and final meeting between the a's and Dodgers this spring...the A's won the first game March 3 in Phoenix, 7-3...the two clubs split two meetings last year, with the Dodgers winning 7-1 March 19 in Glendale and the A's winning 7-4 in Phoenix March 24.

IN CAMP: The A's reassigned five non-roster invitees to minor league camp following the game yesterday and optioned three more players this morning...now have 47 players in camp, including 37 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and 10 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 23 pitchers, five catchers, 12 infielders and seven outfielders...the total does not include Eric O'Flaherty, who is on the 60-day disabled list.

CONTRACT STATUS: The A's have four players under contract beyond the 2014 season...Yoenis Céspedes, Scott Kazmir and Eric O'Flaherty are signed through 2015 and Coco Crisp is signed through

2016 with a vesting option for 2017...Nick Punto has a vesting option for 2015 and minor leaguer Hiroyuki Nakajima has a club option for 2015.

MINOR LEAGUE DATES: Minor Leaguers have reported to camp and the first full squad workout is today...in addition, Triple-A and Double-A games begin today...Single-A games commence March 17.

MEDIA INFORMATION: The A's clubhouse at Phoenix Municipal Stadium will be open to members of the media with proper credentials beginning at 8:00 am...the clubhouse may be closed at certain times for team meetings, etc...please do not lounge or conduct interviews in the weight room/exercise area...once the games begin, the clubhouse is open only to those media who need access to players who have completed their work for the day...A's manager Bob Melvin will be available to the media each morning in the first base dugout at 9:15 am...Melvin will also be available in front of the dugout following the game...members of the media will be allowed in the dugout area and foul territory behind home plate extending down to (but not past) first and third base until the batting cage is removed from the field of play...at that point, all media members must leave the field...the A's dugout will remain accessible to the media until 45 minutes before game time...still photographers and television camera crews with proper credentials must stay in assigned areas at all times...no roving is permitted...still photographers or television camera crews are not allowed in the clubhouse, training room or weight room...lunch is available for \$8 to members of the media with proper credentials in the patio area in the right field corner...complimentary parking is available in the main lot at Phoenix Muni at the corner of Van Buren and Priest by presenting your credential to the attendant.

A's MEDIA ALERTS: New for the 2014 season, the A's Public Relations Department has created a media-only Twitter account to provide as up-to-date information as possible...for clubhouse hours, interview times and media alerts. various please @AsMediaAlerts.

A's ON THE AIR: The A's radio network and flagship station 95.7 FM The Game will broadcast 15 games this spring, including 12 from Arizona and all three games against San Francisco in the Bay Area in April...the schedule includes all Saturday and Sunday games, all Giants games (except the split squad on March 15) and March 13 against Colorado...Ken Korach returns for his 19th year in the broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (ninth) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 29th season in the booth...Comcast SportsNet California will televise two games, including March 13th against the Rockies (7:05 PM) and March 28 against the Giants in San Francisco (7:15 PM)...Glen Kuiper joins Fosse in the broadcast booth for those telecasts...all games not broadcast over the air can be heard live via the club's web site...in addition, five remaining games from Arizona will be carried on MLB Network, although not necessarily live...those games are March 10 vs. LAD (7:00 am PT on March 11), March 15 vs. TEX (1:00 am PT on March 16), March 18 vs. CWS (1:00 pm PT), March 23 vs. CHI (12:00 am PT on March 24), March 24 vs. TEX (11:00 pm PT).

2013 RECAP: The A's compiled a 96-66 record, which was second best in the American League and tied for third best in the majors...it was the second consecutive season the A's finished with the second best record in the AL...won their second straight AL West title, marking the fourth time in Oakland history the A's have won consecutive division championships (1971-75, 1988-90, 2002-03)...it was the A's sixth AL West crown in the last 14 years and their 16th since moving to Oakland...only the Yankees (18) and Braves (17) have more division championships...finished 5½ games ahead of second place Texas, which was the A's largest margin since 1992 when they won the West by six games...the 96-66 (.593) record was the A's best since 2003 when they also went 96-66...it tied for the ninth best record in Oakland history...are 190-134 over the last two years, which is tied with Atlanta for the best record in the majors.

TRANSACTIONS

Feb. 17 Joe Savery claimed off waivers from Philadelphia; Eric O'Flaherty placed on the 60-day disabled list (Tommy John surgery)

Feb. 27 Jake Elmore acquired from Chicago (AL) for cash; Andy Parrino designated for assignment
Andy Parrino claimed off waivers by Texas

March 3 March 9

Dusty Brown, Jose Flores, Bruce Maxwell, Jeremy McBryde and Andrew

Werner reassigned to minor league camp
Shane Peterson optioned to Sacramento, Raul Alcantara optioned to
Midland, Michael Ynoa optioned to Stockton March 10

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TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHER #11 JARROD PARKER RHP (0-0, 13.50 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his third appearance and start of the spring...did not allow a run over the first three innings of his last start Wednesday at Milwaukee before allowing a leadoff home run to Braun in the fourth...went 12-8 with a 3.97 ERA in 32 starts in his second season with the A's last year after going 13-8 with a 3.47 ERA in 29 starts as a rookie in 2012...led the A's in runs (92) and walks (63) and tied for the team lead in games started and hit batters (7)...surrendered 25 home runs, which more than doubled his 2012 total of 11...went 2-6 with a 5.76 ERA and .294 opponents batting average over his first 10 starts, 9-0 with a 2.59 ERA and .205 opponents average over his next 18 starts from May 28 to Sept. 4 and 1-2 with a 7.40 ERA and .299 opponents average over his final four starts...tied for fourth in the AL in wins from May 28 to Sept. 4 and had the fifth lowest ERA...allowed a .242 opponents batting average, which included a .221 mark against right-handed hitters compared to .257 against left-handers.

PARKER'S 2014 SPRING TRAINING STARTS											
Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	ΙP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	HR
February 28	San Francisco	7-6		40.50	1.1	5	6	6	1	2	0
March 5	at Milwaukee	2-7		13.50	3.1	2	1	1	2	1	1
Totals (2 games, 2 starts)				13.50	4.2	7	7	7	3	3	1

#55 MATT BUSCHMANN RHP (0-0, 6.75 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in two of his three outings, including his last appearance Thursday at Arizona (1.0 ip, 1 so)...the non-roster invitee was signed to a minor league contract November 20, 2013...combined for a 14-5 record and a 2.86 ERA in 29 games, including 28 starts, for Double-A Montgomery and Triple-A Durham in the Tampa Bay organization last year...struck out 167 batters, which was third most in all of minor league baseball...tied for third in the minors in wins...allowed just 10 home runs in 160.2 innings, an average of 0.56 per nine innings...had career highs in wins, games started, innings pitched, walks (67) and strikeouts and the ERA was a career low...began the season at Montgomery and was promoted to Durham May 31.

#44 LUKE GREGERSON RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his third appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in his first two outings (2.0 ip), including his last appearance last Tuesday against Milwaukee in the fifth inning (1.0 ip, 2 h, 1 so)...was acquired from the San Diego Padres for Seth Smith, December 3, 2013...went 6-8 with four saves and a 2.71 ERA in a team-leading 73 games in his fifth and final season with the Padres in 2013...topped 70 games for the fourth time in the last five years and has appeared in at least 61 games in each of his five seasons...his 363 games pitched over the last five years are the most in the majors over that span...tied for first among National League relievers in losses (8) and tied for sixth in wins (6)...allowed a .203 opponents batting average, including .192 (24-for-125) against right-handed hitters compared to .216 (25-for-116) against left-handers...first batters faced were 13-for-70 (.186) with just three walks.

#71 DERYK HOOKER RHP (0-0, 12.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in his last two outings (2.0 ip), including his last appearance Tuesday against Milwaukee (1.0 ip, 1 bb)...the non-roster invitee was signed to a minor league contract November 18, 2013...combined for a 1-4 record, eight saves and a 4.12 ERA in a career-high 54 appearances with Double-A Springfield and Triple-A Memphis in his seventh and final season in the St. Louis Cardinals organization last year...it was the first time in his career he pitched exclusively in relief...the saves were a career-high as he had just three over his first six professional seasons...all eight saves came at Springfield, which led the team...struck out 75 batters in 67.2 innings, average of 9.98 per nine innings...pitched for Lara in the

Venezuelan Winter League following the season and posted a 9.31 ERA in nine relief appearances.

#68 ARNOLD LEON RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his third appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in his first two outings (5.0 ip), including his last appearance last Tuesday at Chicago-NL (3.0 ip, 2 h, 1 bb, 1 so)...combined for a 9-8 record and a 4.13 ERA in 25 games, including starts, with Double-A Midland and Triple-A Sacramento last year...had just 12 starts over his first five seasons in the A's farm system...issued just 24 walks, an average of 1.50 per nine innings...had career highs in nearly every category, including wins, starts, innings pitched (144.0) and strikeouts (97)...tied for ninth in the A's farm system in wins and ranked 10th in innings pitched...allowed a .292 opponents batting average, including .247 (80-for-324) against right-handed hitters compared to .348 (88-for-253) against lefthanders...began the season with the RockHounds and was promoted to Sacramento July 2.

#61 DAN OTERO RHP (0-0, 3.86 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance of the spring...has not allowed a run in his last two outings (3.2 ip), including his last appearance Thursday at Arizona when he retired all six batters he faced (2.0 ip, 2 so)...began the 2013 season at Triple-A Sacramento where he went 1-0 with 15 saves and a 0.99 ERA in 23 relief appearances...was promoted to Oakland June 14 and finished the season with the A's, going 2-0 with a 1.38 ERA in 33 games...also worked in four of the A's five ALDS games against Detroit and did not allow a run in 5.2 innings...his 1.38 ERA was the third lowest mark in Oakland history by a rookie with 30 or more innings pitched...did not allow a home run in 39.0 innings...has not allowed a home run in 51.1 career innings...walked just six batters, an average of 1.38 per nine innings, which ranked third lowest among AL relievers...is just the second Oakland A's reliever to average fewer than 1.46 walks per nine innings (Dennis Eckersley did it six times).

#50 JOE SAVERY LHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance of the spring...has not allowed an earned run in his first three appearances, including his last outing Friday against Arizona (1.0 ip, 1 bb, 2 so)...was claimed off waivers from Philadelphia February 17...went 2-0 with a 3.15 ERA in 18 relief appearances over four stints with the Phillies last year...held opponents to a .205 batting average, including .118 (6-for-51) by righthanded hitters and .409 (9-for-22) against left-handers...allowed 1 of 2 (50.0%) inherited runners to score and first batters faced were 3 for 14 (.214) with three walks and a sacrifice fly...pitched just once during his first stint in April and did not pitch during a three day stay from May 6-8...returned May 31 and went 2-0 with a 1.50 ERA in nine outings before going on the disabled list July 23 with elbow stiffness...was reinstated and optioned to Triple-A August 28 before returning in September...was 3-1 with two saves and a 3.08 ERA in appearances with Lehigh Valley.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 10 at Los Angeles (NL) Dodgers: LHP Hyun-Jin Ryu

March 11 at San Diego

A's: RHP Sonny Gray, LHP Drew Pomeranz, RHP Evan Scribner, RHP Fernando Nieve, LHP Fernando Abad, RHP Philip Humber Padres: RHP lan Kennedy

March 12 vs. Kansas City

A's: LHP Scott Kazmir, RHP Jesse Chavez, LHP Sean Doolittle, RHP

Jim Johnson

Royals: RHP Yordano Ventura, RHP Michael Mariot, LHP Francisley Bueno, LHP Donnie Joseph, LHP Scott Alexander, LHP Justin Marks

2014 OAKLAND ATHLETICS SPRING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

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DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER A	TTEND.	CUM.
Feb. 26	at San Francisco	W, 10-5	1-0	Chavez	Petit	6,498	
Feb. 27	Milwaukee	L, 3-11	1-1	Estrada	Milone	3,649	3,649
Feb. 28	San Francisco	W, 7-6	2-1	Neal	Hembree	4,285	7,934
March 1	Texas	T, 2-2	2-1-1			4,232	12,166
March 2	at Los Angeles (AL)	W, 3-2	3-1-1	Chavez	Santiago	4,777	
March 3	Los Angeles (NL)	W, 7-3	4-1-1	Doolittle	Kershaw	3,862	16,028
March 4	Milwaukee	W, 6-4		Urlaub	Hellweg	2,209	18,237
	at Chicago (NL)	L, 4-6	5-2-1	Rosscup	Ynoa	10,049	
March 5	at Milwaukee	L, 2-7	5-3-1	Duke	Pomeranz	2,408	
March 6	at Arizona	T, 8-8 (10)	5-3-2			8,185	
March 7	Arizona	W, 2-0	6-3-2	Chavez	Miley	5,686	23,923
March 8	at Colorado	L, 4-5	6-4-2	Bettis	Lindblom	11,193	
March 9	Chicago (AL)	T, 2-2	6-4-3			5,500	29,423
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO	/TV			
March 10	at Los Angeles (NL)	1:05					
March 11	at San Diego	1:05					
March 12	Kansas City	1:05					
March 13	Colorado	7:05	CSNCA	V95.7 FM T	he Game/A's	Radio N	letwork

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO/TV
March 14	at Kansas City	1:05	
March 15	Texas	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
	at San Francisco	3:05	
March 16	at Cincinnati	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 17	Chicago (NL)	1:05	
March 18	at Chicago (AL)	1:05	
March 19	at Cleveland	1:05	
March 20	OFF DAY		
March 21	at San Francisco	6:35	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 22	Seattle	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 23	Chicago (NL)	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
	at Seattle	1:05	
March 24	at Texas	1:05	
March 25	Cincinnati	1:05	
March 26	Los Angeles (AL)	12:05	
March 27	San Francisco (at S.F.)	7:15	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 28	San Francisco (at S.F.)	7:15	CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 29	San Francisco (at Oak.)	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network