



OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (10-8-5) VS. CLEVELAND INDIANS (15-4-2)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2014 – GOODYEAR BALLPARK – 1:05 P.M.
A'S WEBCAST

ABOUT THE A'S: The A's are batting .340 (87 for 256) with 70 runs scored over the last seven games...lead the majors in walks (96), rank second in runs (144), doubles (51), strikeouts (175) and grounded into double plays (24), tied for second in on-base percentage (.365) and fourth in batting (.288)...A's pitchers have allowed at least one home run in each of the last 10 games (20 total)...have allowed 32 home runs for the spring, which is nine more than any other team...also rank third in the majors in strikeouts (157) and third in hits (219)...the A's are 4-2-1 over the last seven games after going 1-4-3 over the previous nine contests...have five tie games, which are the most by an Oakland team since moving to Arizona for Spring Training in 1969...the previous high was three in 2010 and 2013...have 16 tie games over the last six springs...are 6-3-2 at Phoenix Muni and 4-5-3 on the road...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 defeated the White Sox at Camelback Ranch, 16-6...Oakland scored nine runs and sent 10 men to the plate before the first out of the game was recorded...sent 15 men to the plate in the first inning, which was highlighted by a three-run home run by Jed Lowrie, a two-run triple by Sam Fuld and two hits from Coco Crisp...the A's added three more runs in the third on a two-run triple by Michael Taylor and a RBI single by Jake Elmore, and two more in the fourth on an error...Conner Crumbliss added a RBI double in the eighth and Hiro Nakajima a RBI single in the ninth to complete the A's scoring...Jesse Chavez started for the A's and picked up his fourth win (4.2 ip, 6 h, 2 r, 2 er, 2 bb, 2 so, 2 hr)...Evan Scribner tossed a scoreless eighth inning in relief...Oakland collected 20 hits, including three by Crisp and two each from Nick Punto, Daric Barton, Elmore, Taylor and Nakajima.

PLAYER NOTES: **Daric Barton** is 3 for 9 (.333) with three walks in three games after missing a week due to a left hamstring injury...**Billy Burns** stole his eighth base last Friday at Kansas City, which ranks third in the Cactus League...those are the most steals by an Athletic player during a non-strike spring since at least 1991, the first year spring stats are available (previous: 7, Rajai Davis in 2009)...is tied for fourth in the CL in runs (10) and tied for eighth in walks (7)...**Alberto Callaspo** is 0 for 4 with three walks over his last two games after hitting safely in each of his previous five contests (7 for 15, .467)...has appeared in eight games at third base, three at first base and two at designated hitter...**Yoenis Cespedes** snapped a 0 for 23 streak with his sixth inning single Monday against the Cubs...has appeared in eight games at designated hitter and seven in left field...**Coco Crisp** has reached base safely via hit or walk in each of his 11 games and leads the majors in walks (10)...has hit safely in each of his last five games (9 for 16, .563)...is tied for fourth in the CL in runs (10)...**Josh Donaldson** is 6 for 19 (.316) with seven RBI over his last eight games after going 1 for 11 (.091) with no RBI over his first five contests...**Jake Elmore** is 11 for 26 (.423) with five walks over his last 12 games after going 1 for 10 (.100) with no walks over his first five contests...has appeared in 11 games at second base, eight at third base and two at shortstop...**Nate Freiman** is 6 for 19 (.316) with four RBI over his last 11 games after going 1 for 15 with no RBI over his first eight contests...**Sam Fuld** is tied for second in the CL in runs (11) and triples (3)...has appeared in 11 games in left field, seven in center field and one in right field...**Chris Gimenez** went 1 for 2 yesterday after going 1 for 15 over his previous 12 games...has appeared in 17 games at catcher, one at first base and one in left field...**John Jaso** is 4 for 11 (.364) with five RBI over his last four games...had three hits, three runs and four RBI Saturday against Texas...**Jed Lowrie** has hit safely in each of his last eight games (9 for 25, .360) with four doubles, two home runs and nine RBI...ranks second in the CL in RBI (12), tied for fourth in runs (10) and tied for sixth in doubles (5)...**Brandon Moss** had his sixth multiple hit game of the spring Monday against the Cubs in his 10th game...hit two home runs Saturday against Texas and is tied for eighth in the CL in home runs (3)...is also tied for seventh in RBI (10)...has reached base safely via hit or walk in nine of his 10 games...**Derek Norris** has hit safely in each of his last five games (8 for 16, .500)...**Nick Punto** has reached base safely via hit or walk in each of his 13 games...has hit safely in each of his last five games (8 for 16, .500)...has appeared in seven games at shortstop and six at second base...**Josh Reddick** hit his first home run Saturday against

Texas and is 4 for 13 (.308) with five RBI over his last four games...is tied for seventh in the CL in RBI (10)...**Eric Sogard** is 6 for 17 (.353) over his last six games after going 1 for 18 over his first seven contests...**Michael Taylor** is 13 for 33 (.394) over his last 14 games after going 0 for 10 over his previous four contests...is tied for third in the CL in total bases (31), tied for fourth in runs (10), tied for sixth in doubles (5), tied for eighth in home runs (3) and tied for ninth in hits (15) and slugging (.646)...**Stephen Vogt** is 2 for 10 (.200) over his last four games after going 10 for 19 (.526) over his first eight contests...hit his first home run Saturday at San Francisco

A's vs. INDIANS: This is the only meeting between the A's and Indians this spring...the two clubs will open the regular season in Oakland March 31...last spring, the A's split two games, losing in Phoenix 14-10 and winning in Goodyear 7-6 in 10 innings.

IN CAMP: The A's have 39 players in camp, including 37 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and two non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 19 pitchers, four catchers, nine infielders and seven outfielders...the total does not include Eric O'Flaherty, who is on the 60-day disabled list...it does include Jarrod Parker, who will undergo Tommy John surgery and miss the season, and A.J. Griffin, who has a flexor muscle strain.

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 stretch time...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 various media alerts, please follow @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 remaining Arizona schedule includes Friday against the Giants, Saturday against the Mariners and Sunday against the Cubs...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 has one remaining game on March 28 against the Giants in San Francisco (7:15 PM)...Glen Kuiper joins Fosse in the broadcast booth for that telecast...all games not broadcast over the air can be heard live via the club's web site...in addition, two remaining games from Arizona will be carried on MLB Network on tape delay: March 23 vs. CHI (12:00 am PT on March 24) and March 24 vs. TEX (11:00 pm PT).

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
March 3	Andy Parrino claimed off waivers by Texas
March 9	Dusty Brown, Jose Flores, Bruce Maxwell, Jeremy McBryde and Andrew Werner reassigned to minor league camp
March 10	Shane Peterson optioned to Sacramento, Raul Alcantara optioned to Midland, Michael Ynoa optioned to Stockton
March 16	Matt Buschmann, Deryk Hooker, Philip Humber, Jose Martinez, Luke Montz, Fernando Nieve, Darwin Perez and Addison Russell reassigned to minor league camp

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TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHER #67 DAN STRAILY RHP (0-0, 3.86 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance and start of the spring...has allowed just one run in his last two starts (7.1 ip) after allowing three runs in his first start (2.0 ip)...had five stints with Oakland in 2013 and was 10-8 with a 3.96 ERA in 27 starts...led American League rookies in games started, innings pitched (152.1) and strikeouts (124) and tied for the lead in wins (Perez, TEX)...is the 11th rookie in Oakland history to win 10 or more games, the fifth in the last five years (Anderson, Cahill, Milone, Parker)...had the sixth most strikeouts by an Oakland rookie...allowed a .233 opponents batting average...did not have enough innings pitched to qualify for the league leaders, but his opponents average was ninth lowest among AL pitchers with 150 or more innings pitched...his .358 slugging percentage was eighth best...surrendered 16 home runs in 152.1 innings (0.95 per nine innings) after allowing 11 in 39.1 innings in 2012 (2.52 per nine innings)...his opponents batting average included a .221 (60-for-272) mark against right-handed hitters compared to .244 (72-for-295) against left-handers.

STRAILY'S 2014 SPRING TRAINING STARTS

Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
March 4	Milwaukee	6-4	--	13.50	2.0	4	3	3	2	1	0
March 9	Chicago (AL)	2-2	--	5.06	3.1	2	0	0	3	2	0
March 14	at Kansas City	9-9	--	3.86	4.0	3	1	1	2	2	1
Totals (3 games, 3 starts)				0-0	3.86	9.1	9	4	4	7	5

#56 FERNANDO ABAD LHP (0-0, 4.50 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his ninth appearance of the spring...is tied for the Major League lead in appearances (8)...did not allow a run in his first three outings (3.0 ip) but has allowed at least one in three of his last five...last pitched Monday against Chicago-NL (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 so)...has not walked a batter in 8.0 innings...was acquired from the Washington Nationals for minor league infielder John Wooten, November 25, 2013...began the 2013 season at Triple-A Syracuse and was 1-0 with a 1.06 ERA in 17 relief appearances when he was promoted to Washington May 21...spent the remainder of the season with the Nationals, going 0-3 with a 3.35 ERA in a career-high 39 relief appearances...allowed a .271 opponents batting average but surrendered just nine extra base hits for a career-low .368 slugging percentage...yielded a .247 (23-for-93) average to right-handed hitters compared to .306 (19-for-62) against left-handers...had a 1.83 ERA in 20 appearances before the All-Star Break but then posted a 5.00 ERA in 19 games after the break...pitched for Toros del Este in the Dominican Winter League following the season and was 0-1 with a 4.70 ERA in eight relief appearances.

#13 DREW POMERANZ LHP (0-1, 4.26 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his sixth appearance of the spring...tossed 2.0 scoreless innings in his last outing Saturday at San Francisco (5 so) after allowing at least one run in each of his previous three appearances...has 11 strikeouts in 6.1 innings (15.63 per nine innings)...was acquired from the Colorado Rockies with Chris Jensen for Brett Anderson and cash considerations, December 10, 2013...was 0-4 with a 6.23 ERA in eight games, including four starts, over two stints with Colorado last year...walked 19 and struck out 19 in 21.2 innings...allowed a .301 opponents batting average, including .130 (3-for-23) against left-handed hitters compared to .367 (22-for-60) against right-handers...held opponents to a .190 average with runners in scoring position, including .091 with RISP and two outs...began the season at Triple-A Colorado Springs and went 8-1 with a 4.20 ERA in 15 starts before the Rockies called June 30...struck out 96 batters in 85.2 innings, an average of 10.1 per nine innings...yielded just six home runs, an average of 0.63 per nine innings...allowed a .256 opponents batting average, including .180 (18-for-100) against left-handed hitters compared to .290 (65-for-224) against right-handers.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 19 at Cleveland
Indians: RHP Danny Salazar, RHP Carlos Carrasco

March 20 OFF DAY
LHP Tommy Milone will pitch in a minor league game

March 21 at San Francisco
A's: RHP Sonny Gray, LHP Sean Doolittle, RHP Luke Gregerson, RHP Jim Johnson, RHP Arnold Leon
Giants: TBA

March 22 vs. Seattle
A's: LHP Scott Kazmir
Mariners: RHP Scott Baker

2014 OAKLAND ATHLETICS SPRING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME 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
March 10	at Los Angeles (NL)	T, 8-8	6-4-4	--	--	7,556	
March 11	at San Diego	L, 5-6	6-5-4	Sampson	Humber	3,750	
March 12	Kansas City	L, 1-3	6-6-4	Joseph	Doolittle	4,183	33,606
March 13	Colorado	W, 10-5	7-6-4	Hooker	Belisle	7,078	40,684
March 14	at Kansas City	T, 9-9	7-6-5	--	--	6,486	

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.
March 15	Texas	L, 15-16		Tolleson	Hooker	7,752	48,436
	at San Francisco	W, 8-1	8-7-5	Milone	Cain	12,258	
March 16	at Cincinnati	L, 6-7	8-8-5	Wang	Lindblom	6,413	
March 17	Chicago (NL)	W, 6-2	9-8-5	Savery	Wang	6,099	54,535
March 18	at Chicago (AL)	W, 16-6	10-8-5	Chavez	Quintana	7,179	
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO/TV				
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				

2014 REGULAR SEASON

ABOUT THE A'S: The A's will open their 47th season in Oakland where they have won 16 American League West titles, one AL Wild Card, six AL pennants and four World Championships...only the New York Yankees (18) and Atlanta Braves (17) have more division titles than the A's...since the A's moved to Oakland in 1968, only the Yankees (11) and Cardinals (8) have more league championships and only the Yankees have more world championships (7)...have a 3819-3502 (.522) record over the previous 46 seasons in Oakland...only five teams have won more games over that span (New York Yankees, Boston, Los Angeles Dodgers, St. Louis, Cincinnati).

FOR OPENERS: The A's have lost each of their last nine openers, which is tied for the longest Opening Day losing streak in Major League history...share the mark with the Atlanta Braves (1972-80) and New York Giants (1893-1901)...2014 marks the third time in Oakland history the A's have opened with the Indians...lost the previous two meetings, both in Oakland...dropped an 8-5 decision in 1983 and lost 9-7 in 1997...are 1-4 all-time against the Indians to start

the season...the only win came on April 15, 1958, a 5-0 win by the Kansas City A's at Cleveland...since moving to Oakland in 1968, the A's are 20-26 on Opening Day, including 16-12 in Oakland, 4-11 on the road, 0-2 in Tokyo and 0-1 in Las Vegas...all-time, the Athletics are 52-61 in openers.

EARLY SCHEDULE

DATE	G	OPP	TIME	TV	DATE	G	OPP	TIME	TV
3/31	1	CLE	7:05	CSNCA	4/9	9	at MIN	10:10	CSNCA
4/1	2	CLE	7:05	CSNCA	4/10	10	at MIN	10:10	MLB Network
4/2	3	CLE	12:35	CSNCA	4/11	11	at SEA	7:10	CSNCA
4/3	4	SEA	7:05	CSNCA	4/12	12	at SEA	6:10	CSNCA PLUS
4/4	5	SEA	7:05	CSNCA	4/13	13	at SEA	1:10	CSNCA
4/5	6	SEA	1:05	CSNCA	4/14	14	at LAA	7:05	ESPN
4/6	7	SEA	1:05	CSNCA	4/15	15	at LAA	7:05	CSNCA
4/7	8	at MIN	1:10	CSNCA	4/16	16	at LAA	7:05	CSNCA
4/8		OFF DAY							