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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (11-9-5) VS. SEATTLE MARINERS (15-7-3)

SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 2014 – PHOENIX MUNICIPAL STADIUM – 1:05 P.M. A'S RADIO NETWORK (95.7 FM THE GAME)

ABOUT THE A'S: Are 5-3-1 over the last nine games after going 1-4-3 over the previous eight contests...are batting .323 (107 for 331) with 83 runs scored over the last nine games...lead the majors in walks (103), rank second in runs (157), strikeouts (193) and grounded into double plays (24), third in on-base percentage (.362), tied for third in doubles (52) and fifth in batting (.286)...A's pitchers have allowed 20 home run in the last 12 games and a Major League leading 32 for the spring...also rank third in the majors in strikeouts (194) and tied for fourth in hits (232)...the A's 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 5-6-3 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 lost to the Giants at Scottsdale, 3-0...Sonny Gray (5.2 ip, 3 h, 1 r, 1 bb, 7 so) started for the A's and allowed an unearned run in the fourth inning for the loss...Sean Doolittle (0.1 ip) and Luke Gregerson (1.0 ip) pitched scoreless relief before Jim Johnson allowed two runs in the eighth inning...the A's were shutout on two hits, a John Jaso lead-off single in the third and a one out single by Josh Donaldson in the fourth...neither runner advanced past first and they were the only two base runners.

PLAYER NOTES: Daric Barton is 4 for 13 (.308) with three walks and three RBI in four games after missing a week due to a left hamstring injury...**Billy Burns (NR)** stole his ninth base last Wednesday at Cleveland, which is tied for the Major League lead...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 (12)...**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 Céspedes snapped a 0 for 23 streak with his sixth inning single Monday against the Cubs...is now 2 for 30 (.067) over his last 10 games...has appeared in nine games in left field, including six of his last seven, and eight at designated hitter...Coco Crisp went 0 for 3 last night at San Francisco after reaching base safely via hit or walk in each of his first 11 games...is 9 for 19 (.474) over his last six games...is tied for the ML lead in walks (11)...**Josh Donaldson** is 8 for 26 (.308) with seven RBI over his last 10 games after going 1 for 11 (.091) with no RBI over his first five contests... Jake Elmore is 11 for 30 (.367) over his last 14 games after going 1 for 10 (.100) over his first five contests...has appeared in 12 games at second base, eight at third base and three at shortstop...*Nate Freiman* had his second multiple hit game Wednesday at Cleveland, including his first home run...is 8 for 22 (.364) with eight RBI over his last 13 games after going 1 for 15 with no RBI over his first eight contests...*Sam Fuld* (*NR*) is tied for second in the CL in runs (13) and tied for fourth in triples (2) has a second in the CL in runs (13) and tied for fourth in triples (2) has a second in the CL in runs (13) and tied for fourth in triples (3) has a second base of the field for fourth in the field of the second in the CL in runs (13) and tied for fourth in the field of the second in the compared in the second base of the second in the second base of the second b triples (3)...has appeared in 11 games in left field, seven in center field and one in right field...*Chris Gimenez* is 2 for 3 over his last two games after going 1 for 15 over his previous 12 contests...has appeared in 18 games at catcher, one at first base and one in left field....*John Jaso* is 6 for 16 (.375) with seven RBI over his last six games...is tied for seventh in the CL in RBI (11)...had three hits, three runs and four RBI a week ago today against Texas... Jed Lowrie went 0 for 3 last night at San Francisco after hitting safely in each of his previous eight games (9 for 25, .360) with four doubles, two home runs and nine RBI...is tied for third in the CL in RBI (12) and tied for ninth in doubles (5)...**Brandon Moss** is 4 for 15 (.267) over his last six games after going 9 for 18 (.500) over his first six contests...hit two home runs a week ago today against Texas and is tied for 10th in the CL in home runs (2) is close tied for acuent in RBI (11). runs (3)...is also tied for seventh in RBI (11)...**Derek Norris** has hit safely in each of his last five games (8 for 16, .500)...**Nick Punto** went 0 for 2 last night at San Francisco after reaching base safely via hit or walk in each of his first 13 games...is 8 for 18 (.444) over his last six games after going 4 for 18 (.222) over his previous seven contests...has appeared in seven games at shortstop and seven at second base...*Josh Reddick* is 5 for 21 (.238) over his last eight games after going 7 for 16 (.412) over his first six contests...hit his first home run a week ago today against Texas...*Eric Sogard* is 7 for 19 (.368) over his last seven games after going 1 for 18 over his first seven contests...*Michael Taylor* is 3 for 16 (.188) over his last six

games...is tied for seventh in the CL in total bases (32), tied for eighth in runs (11), tied for ninth in doubles (5), 10th in slugging (.615) and tied for 10th in home runs (3)...**Stephen Vogt** is 3 for 15 (.200) over his last six games after going 10 for 19 (.526) over his first eight contests...hit his first home run a week ago today at San Francisco.

A's vs. MARINERS: This is the first of two meetings between the A's and Mariners this spring...meet again tomorrow in Peoria...the two clubs split two games last spring, both in Phoenix...the A's won 7-3 on March 7 and lost 6-5 on March 18...the one scheduled game in Peoria was rained out after four innings.

IN CAMP: The A's have 38 players in camp, including 36 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and two non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 18 pitchers, four catchers, nine infielders and seven outfielders...the total does not include Eric O'Flaherty and Jarrod Parker, who are on the 60-day disabled list.

PHOENIX MUNI FAREWELL: The A's have four games remaining in Phoenix Muni, including today's game against Seattle...face Chicago (NL) tomorrow, Cincinnati on Tuesday and Los Angeles (AL) on Wednesday...this is the A's final spring in Phoenix as last March the team and the City of Mesa reached a 20-year agreement for the A's to return to Mesa beginning in 2015...Oakland, which also holds two five-year options that could extend the contract to 30 years, will conduct workouts at Fitch Park and play its Spring Training games at Hohokam Stadium, the former home of the Chicago Cubs...Fitch Park and Hohokam Stadium are currently undergoing \$20 million in renovations.

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 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 today 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
March 20	Kent Matthes claimed off waivers from Colorado; Jarrod Parker placed on the 60-day day disabled list (Tommy John surgery)

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TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHER #26 SCOTT KAZMIR LHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his third appearance and start of the spring...was scratched from his last start Monday against Chicago (NL) with left triceps stiffness...has not allowed a run over his first two starts (7.0 ip)...opponents are 3 for 23 (.130)...was signed as a free agent to a two-year contract, December 4, 2013...went from the independent Atlantic League in 2012 to a key member of the Cleveland Indians rotation in 2013, going 10-9 with a 4.04 ERA in 29 starts...it was his sixth 10-win season but his first since 2009...his 29 starts were his most since 2007, as were his 158.0 innings pitched...walked 47 batters for an average of 2.68 walks per nine innings, which was the lowest mark of his career...struck out 162, and his strikeout-to-walk ratio of 3.45 was also a career best...averaged 9.23 strikeouts per nine innings...did not qualify for the league leaders but had the seventh best strikeout per nine inning ratio among AL pitchers with 150 or more innings pitched...allowed a .262 opponents batting average, including .226 against left-handed hitters compared to .275 against right-handers...went 7-5 with a 3.06 ERA and .239 opponents average over his final 18 starts.

KAZMIR'S 2014 SPRING TRAINING STARTS											
Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
March 7	Arizona	2-0		0.00	3.0	2	0	0	0	2	0
March 12	Kansas City	1-3		0.00	4.0	1	0	0	1	3	0
Totals (2 ga	mes, 2 starts)		0-0	0.00	7.0	3	0	0	1	5	0

#68 ARNOLD LEON RHP (0-0, 2.79 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fifth appearance of the spring...did not allow allowed a run in his first three outings (7.0 ip), all in relief, before allowing three runs in his first start a week ago today against Texas (2.2 ip, 2 h, 3 r, 3 er, 2 bb, 2 so)...opponents are 4 for 33 (.121)...combined for a 9-8 record and a 4.13 ERA in 25 games, including 24 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, 3.60 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his seventh appearance of the spring...has not walked a batter in 10.0 innings, including his last appearance Tuesday at Chicago-AL (2.1 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 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)...has walked eight batters in his career (1.40 per nine innings)...allowed a .276 batting average, including .269 against left-handed hitters compared to .284 against right-handers.

#50 JOE SAVERY LHP (1-0, 0.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his seventh appearance of the spring...was the starting pitcher in his last outing Monday against Chicago (NL), replacing Scott Kazmir who was scratched before the game...picked up the win (2.0 ip, 2 h, 1 bb, 5 so)...has not allowed an earned run in his first six appearances (6.2 ip, 2 r)...has 11 strikeouts in 6.2 innings (14.85 strikeouts per nine innings)...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 right-handed 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 20 appearances with Lehigh Valley.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 22 vs. Seattle Mariners: RHP Scott Baker

March 23 vs. Chicago (NL) A's: RHP Jesse Chavez, LHP Drew Pomeranz, RHP Dan Otero Cubs: RHP Jason Hammel

March 23 at Seattle

A's: RHP Josh Lindblom, RHP Evan Scribner, LHP Fernando Abad Mariners: LHP Randy Wolf, RHP Fernando Rodney, RHP Yoervis Medina, LHP Joe Beimel

2014 OAKLAND ATHLETICS SPRING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

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DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER A	TTEND.	CUM.	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.
Feb. 26	at San Francisco	W, 10-5	1-0	Chavez	Petit	6,498		March 15	Texas	L, 15-16		Tolleson	Hooker	7,752	48,436
Feb. 27	Milwaukee	L, 3-11	1-1	Estrada	Milone	3,649	3,649		at San Francisco	W, 8-1	8-7-5	Milone	Cain	12,258	
Feb. 28	San Francisco	W, 7-6	2-1	Neal	Hembree	4,285	7,934	March 16	at Cincinnati	L, 6-7	8-8-5	Wang	Lindblom	6,413	
March 1	Texas	T, 2-2	2-1-1			4,232	12,166	March 17	Chicago (NL)	W, 6-2	9-8-5	Savery	Wang	6,099	54,535
March 2	at Los Angeles (AL)	W, 3-2	3-1-1	Chavez	Santiago	4,777		March 18	at Chicago (AL)	W, 16-6	10-8-5	Chavez	Quintana	7,179	
March 3	Los Angeles (NL)	W, 7-3	4-1-1	Doolittle	Kershaw	3,862	16,028	March 19	at Cleveland	W, 13-3	11-8-5	Pomeranz	Carrasco	4,758	
March 4	Milwaukee	W, 6-4		Urlaub	Hellweg	2,209	18,237	March 20	OFF DAY						
	at Chicago (NL)	L, 4-6	5-2-1	Rosscup	Ynoa	10,049		March 21	at San Francisco	L, 0-3	11-9-5	Petit	Gray	12,148	
March 5	at Milwaukee	L, 2-7	5-3-1	Duke	Pomeranz	2,408		DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO	/TV			
March 6	at Arizona	T, 8-8 (10)	5-3-2			8,185		March 22	Seattle	1:05	95.7 FN	I The Game	/A's Radio	Network	
March 7	Arizona	W, 2-0	6-3-2	Chavez	Miley	5,686	23,923	March 23	Chicago (NL)	1:05	95.7 FN	I The Game	/A's Radio	Network	
March 8	at Colorado	L, 4-5	6-4-2	Bettis	Lindblom	11,193			at Seattle	1:05					
March 9	Chicago (AL)	T, 2-2	6-4-3			5,500	29,423	March 24	at Texas	1:05	5				
March 10	at Los Angeles (NL)	T, 8-8	6-4-4			7,556		March 25	Cincinnati	1:05	j				
March 11	at San Diego	L, 5-6	6-5-4	Sampson	Humber	3,750		March 26	Los Angeles (AL)	12:05	5				
March 12	Kansas City	L, 1-3	6-6-4	Joseph	Doolittle	4,183	33,606	March 27	San Francisco (at S.F.)	7:15	95.7 FN	I The Game	/A's Radio	Network	
March 13	Colorado	W, 10-5	7-6-4	Hooker	Belisle	7,078	40,684	March 28	San Francisco (at S.F.)	7:15	CSNCA	/95.7 FM Tł	ie Game/A	's Radio N	letwork
March 14	at Kansas City	T, 9-9	7-6-5			6,486		March 29	San Francisco (at Oak.) 1:05	95.7 FN	I 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	τν	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	410	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									