

## **ATHLETICS NEWS LINKS, SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 2014**

### **OAKLAND TRIBUNE**

#### **Royals blank A's 1-0**

By Steve Corkran, Oakland Tribune

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#### **Oakland A's introduce Jon Lester, the latest ace in their stacked deck**

By John Hickey, Oakland Tribune

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#### **A's manager Bob Melvin shares thoughts on giving up Yoenis Cespedes**

By Steve Corkran, Oakland Tribune

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#### **Sam Fuld's last 48 hours a whirlwind en route to Oakland A's**

By John Hickey, Oakland Tribune

[http://www.insidebayarea.com/athletics/ci\\_26260348/sam-fulds-last-48-hours-whirlwind-en-route](http://www.insidebayarea.com/athletics/ci_26260348/sam-fulds-last-48-hours-whirlwind-en-route)

#### **Oakland A's release pitcher Jim Johnson**

By John Hickey, Oakland Tribune

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#### **Inside the Oakland A's: Lester addition forces Tigers to play catchup**

By John Hickey, Oakland Tribune

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#### **Gray's win streak ends as A's struggle at plate**

Susan Slusser, San Francisco Chronicle

<http://www.sfgate.com/athletics/article/Gray-s-win-streak-ends-as-A-s-struggle-at-plate-5664028.php>

#### **Chavez says he knew his time was fleeting as starter for A's**

Susan Slusser, San Francisco Chronicle

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#### **A's Jon Lester has thrived since beating cancer**

John Shea, San Francisco Chronicle

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#### **A's will have to hit in October to fulfill expectations**

Bruce Jenkins, San Francisco Chronicle

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#### **The Drumbeat: With no offensive support, Sonny Gray's streak ends**

By Susan Slusser, San Francisco Chronicle

<http://blog.sfgate.com/athletics/2014/08/01/with-no-offensive-support-sonny-grays-streak-ends/>

#### **The Drumbeat: Jon Lester, Jonny Gomes and Sam Fuld join A's, and more**

By Susan Slusser, San Francisco Chronicle

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#### **Gray deals sharp outing, but bats baffled by Royals**

**A's unable to generate runs, squander young ace's seven-inning start**

By Aaron Leibowitz / MLB.com

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**Lester, Gomes make welcomed arrival to Oakland**

**Pair of Red Sox jump atop standings after A's pull off blockbuster Deadline deal**

By Jane Lee / MLB.com

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**Chavez heads to 'pen as A's stay patient with Hammel**

**Fuld bringing immediate depth to Oakland's outfield**

**Crisp gets trigger point injections, remains day to day**

**A's release reliever Johnson**

By Aaron Leibowitz / MLB.com

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**Vargas returns to Royals as Lester makes A's debut**

**Kansas City, Oakland square off in middle matchup of three-game set**

By Jackson Alexander / MLB.com

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**Rewind: Poor timing for the A's to get blanked**

By Joe Stiglich, csnbayarea.com

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**Instant Replay: Home run by Ibanez lifts Royals past A's**

By Joe Stiglich, csnbayarea.com

<http://www.csnbayarea.com/athletics/instant-replay-home-run-ibanez-lifts-royals-past>

**Lester, Gomes bring championship pedigree to A's**

By Joe Stiglich, csnbayarea.com

<http://www.csnbayarea.com/athletics/lester-gomes-bring-championship-pedigree>

**Beane, Melvin hint A's will give Hammel time**

By Joe Stiglich, csnbayarea.com

<http://www.csnbayarea.com/athletics/beane-melvin-hint-will-give-hammel-time>

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**Lowell Cohn: A's step boldly into the big-boy league**

By Lowell Cohn, Santa Rosa Press Democrat

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**A's bats silenced in 1-0 loss to Guthrie, Royals**

By Matt Kawahara, Sacramento Bee

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**A's welcome new faces Lester, Gomes, Fuld**

By Matt Kawahara, Sacramento Bee

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**Fanfare greets Lester, Gomes, Fuld**

By Matt Kawahara, Sacramento Bee

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**Marcos Breton: A's GM Billy Beane bets A's future in blockbuster trade**

By Marcos Breton, Sacramento Bee

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### **A's Welcome New and Returning Players**

By Malaika Bobino, Oakland Post

<http://postnewsgroup.com/blog/2014/08/01/welcome-new-returning-players/>

## **ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### **K.C. gives Oakland a royal pain**

By Janie McCauley, Associated Press

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### **Jon Lester ready to help lead A's back to playoffs**

By JANIE McCAULEY, AP Baseball Writer

<http://www.chron.com/sports/article/Jon-Lester-ready-to-help-lead-A-s-back-to-playoffs-5663650.php>

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### **The Day After the Deadline: Oakland, Detroit Shift the MLB Landscape**

**The A's and the Tigers amp up the American League Arms Race on a deadline day unlike any other**

By Seth Gruen, Rolling Stone Magazine

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### **Somber A's blanked by Royals**

By Jason Leskiw, SF Bay Media

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### **SACRAMENTO RIVER CATS**

#### **CATS BURN TOPES, 6-1**

By Sacramento River Cats / MILB.com

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### **MIDLAND ROCKHOUNDS**

#### **Kenny Wilson Makes Most Of Debut**

By Bob Hards / Midland RockHounds

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#### **Ports Win Streak Snapped In 5-3 Loss To Giants**

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#### **Snappers and Kernels game suspended due to rain**

Beloit Snappers

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By Paul Stanfield / Vermont Lake Monsters

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