A's Turn-Back-the-Clock Game Notes June 11, 2015 vs. Texas

- The A's snapped their four-game losing streak last night and are now 5-4 over the last nine games...are 10-7 over the last 17 games after going 2-14 over the previous 16 contests...are 24-37 (.393) overall, which is the worst record in the American League and third worst in the majors.
- The A's recorded their first walk-off win of the season last night...it was also their first win in a game decided in the last at bat since an 8-6, 10-inning win over Philadelphia Sept. 21, 2014...it snapped an 11-game losing streak in those games dating back to last year...that was the longest such streak in Oakland history (previous: 10, May 14-July 17, 1989)...are now 1-10 in games decided in the last at bat...improved to 4-16 (.200) in one-run games with the win, including 2-11 at home
- The A's have won five of their last eight day games after losing 13 of the first 14…are now 6-16 (.273) during the day compared to 18-21 (.462) at night
- \bullet A's starting pitchers are 0-3 with a 4.78 ERA (14 er in 26.1 ip) over the last five games but are 8-5 with a 2.21 ERA (26 er in 106.0 ip) over the last 17 contests
- ullet The A's have compiled a 2.97 ERA (78 er in 236.0 ip) over the last 27 games after logging a 4.17 ERA over the first 34 contests.
- The A's bullpen is 1-1 with two saves, a blown save and 4.57 ERA (11 er in 21.2 ip) in eight games in the month of June.
- The A's had their three-game errorless streak snapped last night...it was just their second errorless streak of the season longer than two games (4, April 13-17)...have made 58 errors, which is three more than any other team (Texas, 55)
- The A's batted .265 in April, .251 in May and are currently hitting .232 (63-for-272) in June…are batting .268 (30-for-112) with runners in scoring position over the last 12 games after hitting .165 with RISP over the previous 20 contests
- The A's are in the middle of a five series stretch where they will play in five different cities...went 3-3 on the last road trip to Detroit (3-0) and Boston (0-3), are 1-1 on this three-game homestand against Texas, and leave following the game today for a five-game road trip to Los Angeles-AL (three games) and San Diego (two games)...are 10-18 (.357) at home, which is the second worst record in the majors (Milwaukee, 9-20)
- The A's lead the season series with Texas, 5-4…are 3-3 in Oakland and 2-1 at Texas…over the last two years, are 5-10 in Oakland and 9-4 in Texas…have won three season series and lost three season series over the previous six years and are 61-62 over the last seven years

Today's Starting Pitcher: Scott Kazmir (2-4, 3.14)

• Is 0-4 with a 4.85 ERA (16 er in 29.2 ip) and .299 (35-for-117) opponents batting average over his last six starts... the losing streak is the longest by an Athletic this year...has not lost more than four straight since a five-game losing streak from Aug. 13-Sept. 14, 2010...is 1-1 with a 1.65 ERA (5 er in 27.1 ip) and .173 (17-for-98) opponents batting average in five starts in Oakland compared to 1-3 with a 4.29 ERA (17 er in 35.2 ip) and .285 (39-for-137) opponents average in six starts on the road...is 2-0 with a 1.38 ERA (4 er in 26.0 ip) in four starts against American League West opponents compared to 0-4 with a 4.38 ERA (18 er in 37.0 ip) in seven starts against everyone else...has allowed a .280 (37-for-132) batting average with the bases empty compared to .184 (19-for-103) with runners on base...opponents are hitting .189 (10-for-53) with runners in scoring position and are 1-for-21 (.048) with RISP and two outs...was the losing pitcher in his last start, a 4-2 A's loss at Boston last Friday (4.2 ip, 9 h, 4 r, 3 er, 1 bb, 4 so)...is 10-5 with a 3.19 ERA (118.2 ip, 110 h, 52 r, 42 er, 31 bb, 116 so, 11 hr) in 20 career starts against Texas...the 10 wins match his most against any team (Oakland)...is 1-0 with a 2.08 ERA (13.0 ip, 7 h, 3 r, 3 er, 3 bb, 16 so, 2 hr) in two starts this year.

The Bullpen

- FERNANDO ABAD: Made his first appearance since May 30 last night, a span of eight games.
- TYLER CLIPPARD: Was credited with his first win of the season last night.
- ERIC O'FLAHERTY: Was reinstated from the 15-day disabled list June 2 and has not allowed a run in two games since his return (1.2 ip, 1 h, 2 bb, 1 so).
- DREW POMERANZ: Was reinstated from the 15-day disabled list June 3 and has not allowed a run in three relief appearances since his return (3.0 ip, 1 h, 3 bb, 4 so)...the relief appearances are his first this season...was 2-3 with a 4.40 ERA in eight games, all starts, before he was placed on the DL
- FERNANDO RODRIGUEZ: Did not allow a run over his first four games and 5.0 innings, but has allowed eight runs over his past 11 outings and 9.0 innings (8.00 ERA).
- EVAN SCRIBNER: Has a 4.50 ERA (8 er in 16.0 ip) over his past 15 games after allowing just two runs over his first 14 games and 16.1 innings (1.10 ERA)...has not walked a batter since May 1 at Texas, a span of 18 games and 18.1 innings...has 22 strikeouts over that stretch.
- PAT VENDITTE: Was selected from Triple-A Nashville last Friday and has not allowed a run in four games and 5.2 innings since then (1 h, 2 bb, 4 so.

Batting Notes

- BILLY BURNS: Has hit safely in 13 of his last 14 games (20-for-62, .323)...leads American League rookies with 14 multiple hit games and 45 hits.
- BILLY BUTLER: Hit .287 in April, .241 in May and is currently batting .182 (6-for-33) in June…had three home runs and 12 RBI over his first 16 games but has just one home run and 17 RBI over his last 44 contests.
- MARK CANHA: Is 6-for-17 (.353) with a home run and three RBI in his first five games in June after batting .169 with four home runs and 10 RBI in May...hit .279 with two home runs and 10 RBI in April.
- SAM FULD: Is 8-for-80 (.100) with seven walks over his last 33 games.
- BRETT LAWRIE: Is 0-for-8 on the homestand and is now batting .220 (22-for-100) at home compared to .322 (37-for-115) on the road...is 21-for-66 (.319) over his last 18 contests.
- MAX MUNCY: Is 4-for-30 (.133) over his last 12 games after hitting .290 over his first 16 contests.
- ANDY PARRINO: Was selected from Triple-A Nashville May 22 and has appeared in 11 of the A's 18 games since then...has appeared in nine games as a defensive replacement (six at shortstop, three at third base), one game as a pinch hitter and has made one start (shortstop).
- JOSH PHEGLEY: Is batting .389 (14-for-36) over his last 11 games after hitting .219 over his first 11 contests.
- JOSH REDDICK: Had his fifth career game-ending RBI last night...hit .389 over his first 20 games, .220 over a 24-game stretch from May 5 to 29, and is 13-for-35 (.371) over his last 10 contests...has hit safely in each of his five games against Texas this year and is 9-for-20 (.450) with two home runs and nine RBI...now has an eight-game hitting streak overall against the Rangers and is 16-for-32 (.500) with three home runs and 14 RBI over that stretch...is a .296 (56-for-189) career hitter against Texas with 10 home runs and 35 RBI...the RBI are his most against any team and the home runs match his most (Toronto).
- MARCUS SEMIEN: Is batting .190 (12-for-63) with one triple and one RBI over his last 18 games after hitting .309 over his first 42 contests...committed his Major League leading 20th error of the season last night
- ERIC SOGARD: Is batting .203 (14-for-69) over his last 21 games.
- STEPHEN VOGT: Is 2-for-5 on the homestand after going 1-for-20 on the last road trip...has now reached base safely in all 27 of his home games and is batting .346 (27-for-78) in Oakland compared to .250 (24-for-96) on the road...is 9-for-22 (.409) with three home runs and nine RBI in eight games against Texas this year...is a .344 (22-for-64) career hitter against the Rangers.
- BEN ZOBRIST: Was reinstated from the 15-day disabled list May 25 and is 8-for-46 (.174) in 14 games, including 12 starts (six in left field, six at second base), since his return...eight of his 15 RBI this year have put the A's ahead.