

OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (1-2) VS. MILWAUKEE BREWERS (3-0)

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016 – HOHOKAM STADIUM – 1:05 P.M. MST A'S RADIO NETWORK (95.7 FM THE GAME)

ABOUT THE A'S: The A's have started the spring 1-2...won their only game in Mesa yesterday and now have a 13-game winning streak at Hohokam Stadium dating back to last year...the A's only loss in this ballpark since returning to Mesa last year was on March 8, 2015, a 10-4 decision against the White Sox...this is the A's 48th Spring Training in Arizona and their second consecutive spring in Mesa after a 36-year absence...after training in Bradenton, Florida in 1968, the A's came west to Arizona in 1969 and trained in Mesa from 1969-78...moved to Scottsdale in 1979 and then spent 33 seasons at Phoenix Municipal Stadium from 1982-2014...are scheduled to play 32 games this spring, including 29 in Arizona and three in the Bay Area against the Giants (March 31-April 2)...the A's went 22-11-2 (.657) last spring, which was the second best record in the majors to Kansas City (20-10-1, .661)...the 22 wins tied the Oakland Spring Training record set in 2001...had the fourth best winning percentage...finished with a winning record for the fourth consecutive spring...went 14-1 in their first season at the newly renovated Hohokam Stadium...drew 110,059 fans last year, which was the A's second best Arizona total to the record of 110,543 in 2005...were also 8-7-2 on the road, 0-2 at Las Vegas and 0-1 in Oakland...the A's led the majors in runs (199), doubles (90) and sacrifice flies (18)...ranked second among Cactus League teams in slugging (.461), onbase percentage (.343) and walks (112), third in triples (14), tied for third in home runs (33) and fewest grounded into double plays (22), fourth in hit by pitches (12) and strikeouts (255) and fifth in batting (.280)...the 90 doubles were second most by an A's team during the spring since at least 1991 (first year spring stats are available)...the pitching staff ranked second in the CL in ERA (3.60) and strikeouts (262) and third in most walks (104)... the strikeouts were the most by an A's pitching staff during the spring since at least 1991, topping the 247 from 2014, and the ERA ranks second lowest (3.29 in 1994)...committed the third fewest errors in the CL (23).

YESTERDAY: The A's split a split squad, defeating Colorado in Mesa 9-4 and losing to Arizona at Salt River Field 6-3...in Mesa, Sean Manaea started and pitched 2.0 scoreless innings for the win (1 h, 1 bb, 4 so)...he left with a 7-0 lead as the A's scored once in the first on a Danny Valencia RBI single and six times in the second inning, highlighted by a three-run double by Khris Davis...Sean Doolittle allowed a run in the third inning, but Angel Castro tossed a scoreless fourth and Dillon Overton pitched a scoreless fifth and sixth...Franklin Barreto led off the bottom of the sixth with a home run and Jaycob Brugman added a RBI triple later in the inning...Josh Reddick had two of the A's 12 hits...in Scottsdale, Felix Doubront allowed two runs in two innings (5 h, 1 bb, 1 so), but had a no decision as the A's scored twice in the third inning on a RBI double by Eric Sogard and a RBI triple by Billy Burns...Chris Smith then allowed four runs in the bottom of the third for the loss (1.1 ip, 4 h, 4 r, 4 er, 1 bb, 2 so)...Eduard Santos (1.2 ip), Fernando Rodriguez (1.0 ip), Patrick Schuster (1.0 ip) and Zack Neal (1.0 ip) followed with scoreless relief...Matt Chapman homered in the seventh inning to complete the A's scoring.

A's vs. BREWERS: This is the only meeting between the A's and Brewers this spring...this marks the first time since at least 1986 (when spring results are first available) that the two clubs have met just once during the spring...the A's went 2-0-1 against Milwaukee last spring, winning in Maryvale on March 15 (5-2) and Mesa on March 29 (7-0)...also tied at Maryvale March 25 (9-9).

IN CAMP: The A's have 62 players in camp...the total includes 40 players on the 40-man roster and 22 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 29 pitchers, seven catchers, 18 infielders and eight outfielders.

COACHING STAFF: Manager Bob Melvin, beginning his fifth full season with the A's, has one new face on the A's coaching staff, Mark Kotsay... Kotsay is in his first season as the A's bench coach after serving as the hitting coach with San Diego in 2015, his first professional coaching assignment...Kotsay played 17 seasons in the Major Leagues from 1997-2013, including a four-year stint with Oakland from 2004-07...Mike Aldrete moves from bench coach to first base and outfield coach in 2016...the remainder of the coaching staff remains the same with Curt Young as pitching coach, Darren Bush as hitting coach, Ron Washington as third base coach, Scott Emerson as bullpen coach and Marcus Jensen as assistant hitting and catching coach.

HOW THE A'S WERE BUILT: Of the 40 players on the 40-man roster, only four were drafted by the A's (Doolittle, compensation pick following the 1st round in 2007; Dull, 32nd in 2012; Muncy, 5th in 2012; Gray, 1st in 2011)... one was signed as a non-drafted agent (Nuñez), three were claimed off waivers (Lambo, Smolinski, Valencia) and six were signed as free agents (H.Alvarez, Axford, Butler, Crisp, Hill, Madson)...the other 26 were all acquired in trades...25 of the 40 players have joined the A's organization since the end of the 2014 season.

A's TOP PROSPECTS: Eight of the A's top 10 prospects according to Baseball America are in major league camp this spring: Franklin Barreto (#1), Sean Manaea (#2), Matt Chapman (#3), Renato Nuñez (#4), Richie Martin (#5), Matt Olson (#6), Chad Pinder (#7) and Dillon Overton (#8)... the other two are Casey Meisner (#9) and Yairo Munoz (#10).

MINOR LEAGUE DATES: Minor League mini camp is currently underway...pitchers and catchers report tomorrow with the first workout scheduled for Sunday...position players report Friday, March 11 with the first workout scheduled for March 12.

MEDIA INFORMATION: The A's clubhouse at Hohokam Stadium will be open to members of the media with proper credentials beginning approximately one hour prior to team stretch...stretch time varies from day to day; media are asked to check @AsMediaAlerts on Twitter for updated clubhouse hours...the clubhouse may close for team meetings, etc. at certain times...please do not lounge or conduct interviews in the weight room/ exercise area...once games begin, the clubhouse will also open to 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 in the first base dugout during team stretch time...Melvin will also be available in front of the dugout immediately following the game...media are permitted 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 which point media will need to leave the field...the A's dugout will remain accessible to the media until 45 minutes before game time...TV camera crews and still photographers with proper credentials must stay in assigned areas at all times...no roving is permitted...TV camera crews are not allowed in the clubhouse pregame, or in the training room or weight room at any time...still photographers are not allowed in the clubhouse, training room or weight room at any time...lunch is available for \$8 to media members with proper credentials in the landing area at the top of Section 209, which is a new location for 2016...the A's provide complementary parking to members of the media in the Center Street Lot (Lot D), located

A's MEDIA ALERTS: The A's Media Relations Department will provide frequent updates through its media-only Twitter account...for clubhouse hours, interview times and other media alerts, please follow @AsMediaAlerts...player transactions and other relevant game information will continue to be posted at @Athletics.

A's ON THE AIR: The A's radio network and flagship station 95.7 FM The Game will broadcast 12 games this spring, including nine from Arizona and all three games against San Francisco in the Bay Area in April...the schedule includes all Saturday and Sunday games and the night game against the Giants on March 14...Ken Korach returns for his 21st year in the broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (11th) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 31st season in the booth...Comcast SportsNet California will televise two games, including March 14 against the Giants (7:05 pm) and April 2 against the Giants in Oakland (1:05 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, nine remaining games will be televised by MLB Network...five of those will air in the Bay Area (March 12 at TEX, March 22 at LAA, March 23 at SEA, March 25 vs. LAA and March 29 at CHC)...three (March 23, 25 and 29) will air live.

SPRING TRAINING TICKETS: Spring Training tickets for all A's home games at Hohokam Stadium are currently on sale at athletics.com/tickets or by calling 877-493-BALL (877-493-2255)...the Hohokam Stadium box office hours of operation on non-game days are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, closed Sundays...during all home games, the box office is open from 10 a.m. until a half hour after the game ends...for Spring Training season tickets, call A's Tickets Services at 510-568-5600, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. PT Monday through Friday...single game tickets start at just \$10 and are priced dynamically, with prices fluctuating based on factors affecting supply and demand...groups of 20 or more are eligible for discounted tickets for select games by e-mailing spring@athletics.com

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Feb. 12 Khris Davis acquired from Milwaukee for minor leaguers Bubba Derby and Jacob Nottingham; Sean Nolin designated for assignment

Feb. 22 Sean Nolin claimed off waivers by Milwaukee

Feb. 25 Chris Coghlan acquired from the Chicago Cubs for Aaron Brooks

Get the latest A's notes, full stat packets, clips, press releases, roster, updated media guide and more at http://pressbox.athletics.com

TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHER #18 RICH HILL LHP (2-1, 1.55 ERA with Boston in 2015)

Is scheduled to make his first start of the spring...was signed by the A's as a free agent, Nov. 20, 2015...began the 2015 season at Triple-A Syracuse in the Washington organization and finished it by going 2-1 with a 1.55 ERA in four September starts with Boston...the starts were his first as a major leaguer since 2009...struck out 36 batters in 29.0 innings (11.17 per nine innings) and walked just five for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 7.20...allowed a .141 batting average, including .138 with both of his home runs against right-handed hitters compared to .158 against left-handers...yielded a .154 average with runners in scoring position...started the season at Syracuse and was 2-2 with a 2.91 ERA in 25 relief appearances when he was released June 24...went 1-0 with a 0.00 ERA in two starts with Long Island of the independent Atlantic League before signing a minor league deal with Boston Aug. 14...compiled a 3-2 record and a 2.78 ERA in five starts with Triple-A Pawtucket before his promotion to Boston Sept. 8...combined for a 5-4 record and a 2.83 ERA in 30 games with Syracuse and Pawtucket.

#70 RAUL ALCANTARA RHP (0-2, 3.88 ERA with Stockton in 2015)

Will be making his first outing of the spring...went 0-2 with a 3.88 ERA in 15 starts with Single-A Stockton last year after missing the first two months of the season as he continued his recovery from May 14, 2014 "Tommy John" surgery...surrendered just three home runs in 48.2 innings...walked eight for an average of 1.48 walks per nine innings...allowed a .286 opponents batting average, including .284 (33-for-116) against right-handed hitters compared to .288 (21-for-73) against left-handers...12 of the 21 hits he allowed to lefties were for extra bases (nine doubles, two triples, one home run)...yielded a .333 batting average with runners in scoring position but that mark dropped to .238 with RISP and two outs...surrendered all three of his home runs at home...compiled a 5.40 ERA in the first and second innings and a 1.77 ERA in the third and fourth innings...averaged 3.244 innings per start...never tossed more than 4.0 innings and did not qualify for any wins...made one appearance for Oriente in the Dominican Winter League following the season (2.0 ip, 4 h).

#50 RYAN BRASIER RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

The non-roster invitee made his spring debut Thursday at Los Angeles (AL) with a scoreless fifth inning (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 so)...was signed by the A's to a minor league contract July 7, 2015 after missing the 2014 season following June 10, 2014 "Tommy John" surgery...was placed on the disabled list at Single-A Stockton after signing and began his rehab assignment with the A's affiliate in the Arizona Rookie League Aug. 14...went 1-1 with a 3.60 ERA in four games, including one start, before he was reinstated from the DL and transferred to Triple-A Nashville Sept. 1...did not allow a run in two appearances with the Sounds (2.0 ip) and combined for a 2.57 ERA in six games overall...struck out seven and walked just one in 7.0 innings...allowed a .192 opponents batting average, including .143 (2-for-14) against right-handed hitters compared to .250 (3-for-12) against left-handers...started against the Angels in his first rehab appearance Aug. 14 (1.0 ip, 1 so)...it was his first professional appearance since Sept. 27, 2013 with Los Angeles-AL (0.1 ip, 1 bb).

#57 DANIEL COULOMBE LHP (0-0, 18.00 ERA)

The non-roster invitee made his spring debut Thursday at Los Angeles (AL) and allowed three runs in the eighth inning (1.0 ip, 4 h, 3 r, 2 er)... began the 2015 season in the Los Angeles (NL) organization and logged a 7.56 ERA in five games over five stints with the Dodgers...was traded to Oakland Sept. 10 for cash and compiled a 3.52 ERA in nine games with the A's...had no decisions and a 5.63 ERA in 14 relief appearances overall... did not allow a home run in 16.0 innings in the majors and surrendered just one in 41.1 minor league innings...yielded a .270 opponents batting average, including .200 (6-for-30) against left-handed hitters compared to .333 (11-for-33) against right-handers...allowed just 1-of-8 (12.5%) inherited runners to score and first batters faced were 2-for-13 (.154) with a walk (.214 on-base percentage)...spent the balance of the season at Triple-A Oklahoma City in the Dodgers farm system where he went 3-1 with a save and a 3.27 ERA in 38 relief appearances...allowed a .235 opponents batting average, including .204 (21-for-103) against right-handed hitters compared to .304 (14-for-36) against left-handers.

#31 LIAM HENDRIKS RHP (5-0, 2.92 ERA with Toronto in 2015)

Will be making his first outing of the spring...was acquired from Toronto for Jesse Chavez, Nov. 20, 2015...pitched exclusively in relief for the first time in his career last year and was 5-0 with a 2.92 ERA in 58 games with Toronto...had career highs in games, strikeouts (71) and wins...his ERA was a career low as was his .240 opponents batting average, .276 on-base percentage and .329 slugging percentage...issued 11 walks in 64.2 innings and his average of 1.53 walks per nine innings ranked eighth lowest among American League relievers...struck out 71 and his strikeout-to-walk ratio of 6.45 ranked fourth...also tied for ninth in wins...his opponents batting average included a .207 (29-for-140) mark against right-handed hitters compared to .283 (30-for-106) against left-handers...entered the season with a .328 career average against righties...allowed a .179 batting average with runners in scoring position and two outs...allowed 9-of-30 (30.0%) inherited runners to score...first batters faced were 13-for-53 (.245) with four walks and a hit by pitch (.310 on-base percentage).

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 5 vs. Milwaukee

Brewers: RHP Jimmy Nelson, LHP Will Smith, RHP Corey Knebel, RHP Hiram Burgos, RHP Damien Magnifico, LHP Sean Nolin

March 6 at San Diego

A's: RHP Chris Bassitt, RHP R.J. Alvarez, RHP Ryan Dull, RHP Ryan Doolittle, LHP Marc Rzepczynski, RHP Angel Castro, LHP Patrick Schuster

Padres: RHP James Shields

March 7 vs. Kansas City

A's: RHP Jesse Hahn, RHP Kendall Graveman, RHP John Axford, RHP Fernando Rodriguez, RHP Eduard Santos, RHP Taylor Thompson

Royals: RHP Kyle Zimmer, LHP Jonathan Dziedzic, RHP Alec Mills, RHP Christian Binford, LHP Sam Selman

March 8 vs. Texas A's: LHP Eric Surkamp Rangers: LHP Derek Holland

2016 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

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DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RE	CORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.
March 3	at Los Angeles (AL)	L, 2-8	()-1	Morin	R.Doolittle	e 4,071	
March 4	Colorado	W, 9-4		1-1	Manaea	Carle	3,535	3,535
	at Arizona	L, 3-6		1-2	Wagner	Smith	9,875	
DATE	OPPONENT	TI	ME	RADI	O/TV			
March 5	Milwaukee	1	1:05	95.7 F	M The Gam	e/A's Radio	Network	
March 6	at San Diego	1	1:05	95.7 F	M The Gam	e/A's Radio	Network	
March 7	Kansas City	1	1:05					
March 8	Texas	1	1:05					
March 9	at Chicago (AL)	1	1:05					
March 10	Los Angeles (NL)	1	1:05					
March 11	at Cincinnati	1	1:05					
March 12	at Texas	1	1:05	95.7	FM The Ga	me/A's Ra	dio Netwo	rk/MLBN
				(ai	rs at 1pm PT)		
March 13	Chicago (NL)	1	1:05	95.7 F	M The Gam	e/A's Radio	Network	
March 14	San Francisco	7	7:05	CSNC	A/95.7 FM T	he Game/	A's Radio N	letwork
March 15	at Colorado	1	1:05					
March 16	OFF DAY							

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO/TV
March 17	Seattle	1:05	
March 18	at Cleveland	1:05	
March 19	Cincinnati (SS)	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
	at San Francisco (SS)	1:05	
March 20	Chicago (AL)	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 21	at San Francisco	1:05	
March 22	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:05	MLBN (airs March 23 at 6am PT)
March 23	at Seattle	7:10	MLBN
March 24	Texas	7:05	
March 25	Los Angeles (AL)	1:05	MLBN
March 26	at Kansas City	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 27	Kansas City	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 28	Cleveland	1:05	
March 29	at Chicago (NL)	1:05	MLBN
March 30	Arizona	12:05	
March 31	San Francisco (at SF)	7:15	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
April 1	San Francisco (at SF)	7:15	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
April 2	San Francisco (at Oak)	1:05	CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network