

# OAKLAND ATHLETICS

## **Game Information**

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### OAKLAND ATHLETICS (9-8-3) VS. LOS ANGELES ANGELS (10-8-4)

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2016 – TEMPE DIABLO STADIUM – 1:05 P.M. MST A'S WEBCAST — MLB NETWORK (Tape Delay to 6:00 AM PST on March 23)

ABOUT THE A'S: Have won three of the last four games and are 9-8-3 this spring...that includes 4-3-3 in Mesa and 5-5 on the road...this marks the third time in the last four years the A's have played at least three tie games (13 ties total)...have committed nine errors in the last four games and have a Major League leading 30 overall...that is seven more than their total for the entire spring last year...the pitching staff has issued 84 walks, which is the most in the Cactus League and tied for second most in the majors... have the third highest ERA in the CL (5.71)...the last time Oakland finished the spring with an ERA above 5.66 was in 1999 (6.22)...the offense ranks third in the CL in slugging (.475), fourth in fewest strikeouts (140) and fifth in batting (.285) and runs (124)...are tied with the White Sox for the fewest stolen bases (9)...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...finished with a winning record for the fourth consecutive spring...the pitching staff had 262 strikeouts, which were the most by an A's pitching staff during the spring since at least 1991, topping the 247 from 2014.

YESTERDAY: The A's defeated San Francisco in Scottsdale, 6-4...Khris Davis doubled and later scored on a fielders choice in the second inning but Chris Bassitt allowed a run in the bottom of the second...Billy Burns had a sacrifice fly in the third but Bassitt allowed a run in the fourth to tie the game at 2-2...Matt Chapman then hit a two-run home run in the fifth inning and Chris Coghlan added a two-run blast in the sixth to give the A's the lead for good...Bassitt picked up the win (5.1 ip, 8 h, 4 r, 4 er, 1 bb, 4 so) and Fernando Rodriguez (1.2 ip), Patrick Schuster (1.0 ip) and Daniel Coulombe (1.0 ip) added scoreless relief.

A's vs. ANGELS: This is the second of three meetings between the A's and Angels this spring...the A's lost the first game 8-2 at Tempe in the Cactus League opener...meet again in Mesa on Friday...the A's won all three games last spring, posting victories in Mesa on March 7 (8-7) and April 1 (4-1) and Tempe March 31 (13-10).

PLAYER NOTES: Yonder Alonso had his third two-hit game Saturday at San Francisco and is batting .393 overall...has struck out just once in 28 at bats... Carson Blair (NR) is 1-for-8 (.125) over his last seven games after going 3-for-8 (.375) over his first four contests... Billy Burns went 0-for-2 yesterday at San Francisco to snap his eight-game hitting streak (11-for-24, .458)...is batting .378 (42-for-111) over the last two springs...is tied for eighth in the Cactus League in stolen bases (4)... Billy Butler hit his first home run Saturday at San Francisco and is 6-for-15 (.400) over his last six games after going 1-for-7 (.143) over his first four contests...has appeared in six games at designated hitter and four at first base... Mark Canha has appeared in three games in left field and two at first base... \textit{Matt Chapman} (NR) hit his fourth home run yesterday, which is tied for second in the CL... Chris Coghlan is 6-for-20 (.300) over his last seven games after going 1-for-10 (.100) over his first four contests...has appeared in six games at second base, two in right field, one in center field and one in left field... Coco Crisp is 4-for-13 (.308) over his last four games after going 1-for-16 (.063) over his first six contests...has appeared in nine games in center field and one in left field... Khris Davis is 3-for-9 (.333) over his last three games after going 4-for-22 (.182) over his first eight contests...has appeared exclusively in left field on defense... Sam Fuld will miss the rest of the spring with sprained left shoulder...had four multiple hit games over his final six games (10-for-18, .556) and batted .417 in 10 games overall... Andrew Lambo had his fourth multiple hit game last Friday at Cleveland. has appeared in 11 games in left field and three in right field... Jed Lowrie went 0-for-2 Sunday against Chicago (AL) after hitting safely in each of his previous seven contests (9-for-19, .474)...has five doubles in his last six games and is tied for fourth in the CL in doubles (5)...has made all 10 of his appearances at second base... Bruce Maxwell (NR) played for Germany in the World Baseball Classic qualifier in Mexico last Thursday and Friday and went 4-for-8 (.500) with a home run, walk and four RBI in two starts at catcher... Matt McBride (NR) is 1-for-4 (.250) over his last three games after going 0-for-8 over his first seven contests...has appeared in five games at catcher, three in right field and one at first base... **Josh Phegley** is 3-for-13 (.231) over his last four games... Josh Reddick is 6-for-12 (.500) over his last four games and has reached base safely in each of his 10 contests...is tied for sixth in the CL in walks (7)... Marcus Semien is 3-for-18 (.167) over his last six games after going 3-for-9 (.333) over his first four contests... Jake Smolinski struck out twice yesterday after going his first 15 games and 30 plate appearances without a strikeout...is 9-for-23 (.391) over his last 11 games after going 1-for-8 (.125) over his first five contests... Eric Sogard has appeared in eight games at shortstop and two at second base... Danny Valencia has homered in four of his last six games and has hit safely in nine of his 10 contests... is tied for second in the CL in home runs (4), tied for eighth in runs (9) and tied for 10th in RBI (10)... has made all 10 of his appearances at third base... Stephen Vogt is 1-for-10 (.500) over his last four games after going 6-for-11 (.545) with three home runs and seven RBI over his first five contests... has struck out just once in 25 plate appearances this spring

**IN CAMP:** The A's have 39 active players in camp and one on the 60-day disabled list (Jarrod Parker)...the total includes 32 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and seven non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 18 pitchers, five catchers, eight infielders and eight outfielders.

A's ON THE AIR: The A's radio network and flagship station 95.7 FM The Game has added a broadcast for the spring and will now air the night game against Texas on Thursday...there are now six broadcasts remaining this spring, including three from Arizona and all three games against San Francisco in the Bay Area in April...the remaining Arizona schedule includes this Thursday, Saturday and Sunday...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 has one remaining game on April 2 against the Giants in Oakland... 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 with Donny Baarns calling the action...in addition, four games will air in the Bay Area on MLB Network, included a tape delayed broadcast of today's game (March 23 at 6:00 am PT)...the other three (March 23 at SEA, March 25 vs. LAA and March 29 at CHC) will air live.

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 on the Bob Welch Memorial Bench 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 behind home plate.

#### **TRANSACTIONS**

- 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
- March 13 Andrew Triggs claimed off waivers from Baltimore; Jarrod Parker placed on the 60-day disabled list (fractured right medial epicondyle); Renato Nuñez and Rangel Ravelo optioned to Nashville; Raul Alcantara optioned to Midland; Daniel Coulombe, Ryan Doolittle, Richie Martin, Dillon Overton, Josh Rodriguez, Chris Smith, Beau Taylor and Taylor Thompson reassigned to minor league camp
- March 14 Andrew Triggs, J.B. Wendelken and Joey Wendle optioned to Nashville
- March 20 Bryan Anderson, Franklin Barreto, Ryan Brasier, Angel Castro, Matt Olson, Chad Pinder and Eduard Santos reassigned to minor league camp
- March 21 Tyler Ladendorf and Max Muncy optioned to Nashville

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#### TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

#### STARTING PITCHER #49 KENDALL GRAVEMAN RHP (0-1, 6.75 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance and third start of the spring... has allowed three runs in each of his last two games, both starts, after allowing two runs in relief in his first outing...the rookie right-hander went 6-9 with a 4.05 ERA in 21 starts over two stints with the A's last year before his season ended in late August due to an oblique injury...was on the A's Opening Day roster and went 1-2 with an 8.27 ERA in four starts before he was optioned to Nashville April 26...was brought back May 23 and went 5-2 with a 1.78 ERA over his first nine starts following his return...then went 0-5 with a 5.82 ERA over his final eight starts beginning July 10...was placed on the 15-day disabled list Aug. 24 with a strained left oblique...tied for fourth among American League rookies in games started (21), ranked fifth in innings pitched (115.2), ninth in strikeouts (77) and tied for ninth in wins...had one of seven complete games by an AL rookie...allowed a .276 opponents batting average, including .275 (61-for-222) against lefties and .278 (65-for-234) against righties...surrendered 11 of his 15 home runs to righties but issued 24 of his 38 walks to lefties...had a .369 slugging percentage against lefties, .474 against righties.

GRAVEMAN'S 2016 SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES												
Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	so	HR	
*March 7	Kansas City	6-4	_	4.50	2.0	2	2	1	1	2	0	
March 12	at Texas	5-14	L	7.20	3.0	4	3	3	2	3	0	
March 17	Seattle	11-11	_	6.75	4.1	3	3	3	3	2	2	
Totals (3 games, 3 starts) *indicates relief appearance				6.75	9.1	9	8	7	6	7	2	

#### #66 RYAN DULL RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in any of his five appearances (5.2 ip) and has not surrendered a hit in his last four (4.2 ip)...last pitched on Saturday at San Francisco (2.0 ip, 2 so)...opponents are 2-for-21 (.095)...made his Triple-A and Major League debut last year, earning a September call-up with Oakland...went 1-2 with a save and a 4.24 ERA in 13 games with the A's...began his career with an eight-game, 11.0-inning scoreless streak... that tied for the sixth longest career-opening scoreless streak in Oakland history...held the opposition to a .203 batting average but yielded a .441 slugging percentage as six of the 12 hits he allowed were for extra bases... surrendered four home runs in 17.0 innings after yielding just two home runs in 61.0 innings in the minors...his opponents batting average included a mark of .167 against left-handed hitters compared to .229 against righthanders...was named the A's Organizational Pitcher of the Year after combining for a 3-2 record, 12 saves and a 0.74 ERA in a career-high 47 relief appearances with Double-A Midland and Triple-A Nashville...was named to the Texas League Midseason and Postseason All-Star Teams...opponents hit .180, including .117 by right-handed hitters compared to .270 by left-handers.

#### **UPCOMING PROBABLES**

March 22 at Los Angeles (AL) Angels: LHP Hector Santiago

March 23 at Seattle

A's: RHP Jesse Hahn, LHP Eric Surkamp, RHP Liam Hendriks

Mariners: RHP Nathan Karns

March 24 vs. Texas A's: LHP Felix Doubront

Rangers: TBA

#### 2016 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

							HOME								HOME	
DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.	
March 3	at Los Angeles (AL)	L, 2-8	0-1	Morin	R.Doolittle	4,071		March 19	Cincinnati	W, 7-6	7-7-3	Walter	Wood	6,769	59,871	
March 4	Colorado	W, 9-4	1-1	Manaea	Carle	3,535	3,535		at San Francisco	W, 9-1	8-7-3	Doubront	Bumgarne	r 12,095		
	at Arizona	L, 3-6	1-2	Wagner	Smith	9,875		March 20	Chicago (AL)	L, 2-6	8-8-3	Fulmer	Castro	7,668	67,539	
March 5	Milwaukee	T, 8-8	1-2-1	_	_	5,218	8,753	March 21	at San Francisco	W, 6-4	9-8-3	Bassitt	Samardzij	a 12,056		
March 6	at San Diego	W, 6-5	2-2-1	Rzepczynsk	i Perdomo	5,339		DATE	OPPONENT	OPPONENT TIME RADIO/TV						
March 7	Kansas City	W, 6-4	3-2-1	Santos	Binford	4,615	13,368	March 22	at Los Angeles (AL)		1:05 MLBN	I (airs March	23 at 6am	PT)		
March 8	Texas	L, 3-10	3-3-1	Holland	Surkamp	4,224	17,592	March 23	at Seattle		7:10 MLBN	1				
March 9	at Chicago (AL)	W, 12-3	4-3-1	Gray	Turner	3,484		March 24	Texas		7:05 95.7 F	M The Gam	ne/A's Radio	Network		
March 10	Los Angeles (NL)	I, 3-8	4-4-1	Maeda	Hill	6,304	23,896	March 25	Los Angeles (AL)	•	1:05 MLBN	1				
March 11	at Cincinnati	W, 9-4	5-4-1	Bassitt	Moscot	3,668		March 26	at Kansas City		1:05 95.7 F	M The Gam	ne/A's Radio	Network		
March 12	at Texas	L, 5-14	5-5-1	Klein	Graveman	6,842		March 27	Kansas City		1:05 95.7 F	M The Gam	ne/A's Radio	Network		
March 13	Chicago (NL)	T, 3-3	5-5-2	_	_	10,040*	33,936	March 28	Cleveland		1:05					
March 14	San Francisco	W, 10-3	6-5-2	Gray	Cueto	10,080*	44,016	March 29	at Chicago (NL)		1:05 MLBN	1				
March 15	at Colorado	L, 2-6	6-6-2	DeLaRosa	Hill	8,207		March 30	Arizona	12	2:05					
March 16	OFF DAY							March 31	San Francisco (at S	F)	7:15 95.7 F	M The Gam	ne/A's Radio	Network/C	SNBA	
March 17	Seattle	T, 11-11	6-6-3	_	_	9,086	53,102	April 1	San Francisco (at S	F)	7:15 95.7 F	M The Gam	ne/A's Radio	Network/N	BC	
March 18	at Cleveland	L, 8-10	6-7-3	Adams	Alvarez	5,442		April 2	San Francisco (at C	ak) ·	1:05 CSNC	CA/95.7 FM	The Game/A	's Radio N	etwork	