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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (57-74) VS. HOUSTON ASTROS (69-62)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2016 — MINUTE MAID PARK — 7:10 P.M. CDT
RHP KENDALL GRAVEMAN (10-8, 3.97) VS. RHP COLLIN MCHUGH (8-10, 5.01)
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ABOUT THE A'S: Have won four of the last six games after losing eight of the previous nine...are now 10-19 (.345) over the last 29 games and 57-74 (.435) for the season, which is tied for the third worst record in the American League...it is tied with the 2015 A's for the fifth worst record in Oakland history after 131 games (won game 132 in 2015)...with a loss today, the A's would have their worst record after 132 games since 1997 (52-80)...are tied for fourth in the AL West and trail first place Texas by a season-high 20½ games...the A's largest deficit last year was 21 games (Oct. 1) and they have not been farther than 21 games back since finishing the 2011 season 22 games out...have been in fourth or worse every day since June 3...have spent one day in sole possession of first place, five days tied for first, four days in second, four days tied for second, 15 days in third, eight days tied for third, 60 days in fourth, 17 days tied for fourth and 30 days in fifth.

IN AUGUST: The A's are 10-16 (.385) in August, which is tied with Los Angeles for the second worst record in the American League (Minnesota, 9-18)...it is currently the seventh worst August in Oakland history and the worst since 2008 (10-20, .333)...have clinched a losing record in August for the third consecutive season...it is the A's fourth consecutive month with a losing record (went 13-12 in April)...are batting .238 (207-for-869), which is second lowest in the majors (San Diego, .223)...have 92 runs scored, which is also second fewest (Miami, 91)...have the fewest triples in the AL (1), the second fewest home runs (28) and are tied for the fourth fewest walks (68)...have walked fewer than 74 times in August in a non-strike season just once in Oakland history (62 in 1972)...the pitching staff has issued the second fewest walks in the AL (61) and also has the second fewest strikeouts (174).

PITCHING: The A's have compiled a 3.49 ERA (71 er in 183.1 ip) over the last 21 games dating back to August 7...the season ERA stands at 4.51 for the third consecutive day, which is the lowest it has been since May 9 when it was 4.47...have not finished the year with an ERA above 4.28 since 2000 (4.58)...have the second highest ERA in the American League, the third highest opponents batting average (.264) and the third most wild pitches (59).

STARTING PITCHING: A's starting pitchers are 8-11 with a 3.61 ERA (51 er in 127.0 ip) over the last 22 games...have issued just 20 walks over that span (1.42 per nine innings), including 11 games with no walks...are 36-57 with a 4.97 ERA (393 er in 712.1 ip) for the season...have the second highest ERA in the American League, the second most losses, the second fewest wins and the third fewest innings pitched...have tossed fewer than five innings 39 times, which is the most in the majors and the most by an A's team since 1997 (52)...the A's have used 12 different starting pitchers this year and all 12 have made at least four starts...the 12 players with four or more starts is tied with Atlanta for the most in the majors and is tied for the most in Athletics history (1957 and 1997).

OFFENSE: The A's were shutout for the second time in the last seven games last night and the ninth time this year, which is tied for second most in the American League (Kansas City, 10)...have scored 520 runs for the season, which is the fewest in the AL and fourth fewest in the majors...are now batting .176 (22-for-125) with 11 runs scored over the first four games of the road trip...have the lowest on-base percentage (.303) and slugging percentage (.398) in the AL and the third lowest batting average (.248)...have been hit by the fewest pitches in the AL (31), rank second in fewest walks (333) and fewest strikeouts (912) and fourth in fewest home runs (141), fewest extra base hits (369) and fewest stolen bases (44)...are on pace for 412 walks, which would break the Athletics record for fewest walks in a 162-game season (421 in 1966)...the Oakland record for lowest on-base percentage is .302 in 1979.

DEFENSIVE DOINGS: The A's have committed 25 errors in the last 58 games after making 53 over the first 73 contests...have 78 errors for the season, which is fifth most in the American League, but the errors have led to 33 unearned runs, which is tied for fourth fewest...A's outfielders have 21 assists, which is tied for second fewest in the AL.

HOME AND AWAY: The A's are 2-2 on this six-game road trip to St. Louis (2-1) and Houston (0-1)...went 1-5 on the last road trip to Texas (0-3) and Chicago-AL (1-2) and have lost 12 of their last 16 road games...are 27-

38 (.415) on the road for the season...return home following the game tomorrow for a nine-game homestand against Boston (three games), Los Angeles-AL (three games) and Seattle (three games)...went 2-1 on the last homestand against Cleveland and are 30-36 (.455) at home, which is the second worst home record in the American League...have a 5.13 ERA (319 er in 559.2 ip) on the road compared to 3.93 (262 er in 600.0 ip) at home...the road ERA is second highest in the AL (Minnesota, 5.24)...are batting .254 (578-for-2276) on the road compared to .242 (527-for-2178) at home.

CLOSE CALLS: The A's are 20-20 (.500) in one-run games and rank fourth in the American League in one-run games (40)...went 19-35 (.352) in one-run games last year, which was the second worst record in the majors...have eight walk-off losses, which are third most in the AL...all eight losses have come against AL West competition, including three against Houston.

MARGIN OF VICTORY: The A's are 41-41 (.500) in games decided by three runs or fewer compared to 16-33 (.327) in games decided by four runs or more...the 16 wins by four runs or more is second fewest in the majors (Atlanta, 12) and the winning percentage is the worst in the AL and third worst in the majors...have a run differential of -94, which is second worst in the AL (Minnesota, -124)...the last time the A's were outscored by more than 44 runs in a season was in 1997 (-182).

THE DISABLED LIST: The A's have used the disabled list an Oakland-record 27 times and those players have combined to miss an Oakland-record 1408 games (52.1 games per stint)...currently have 15 players on the DL (including 11 on the 60-day DL), which is one short of the season high of 16...prior to this year, had not had more than 11 players on the DL at once...have had at least 11 players on the DL every day since July 4, at least nine every day since May 6 and at least six all year...have had at least three players on the DL every day since July 30, 2011 and have not had fewer than two players on the DL since the end of the 2006 season when they had just one.

THIS AND THAT: The A's are 5-8 in this five-series stretch where they will play in five different cities (Texas, Chicago, Oakland vs. Cleveland, St. Louis and Houston)...have made a total of 164 player moves in 149 days dating back to Opening Day, April 4...are averaging 2 hours and 56 minutes per game, which is tied with Kansas City for the fastest in the majors...have lost 16 of the last 21 games in which the opponent starts a left-handed pitcher...are 14-21 (.400) in those games for the season, which is the worst record in the American League...pinch hitters are 2 for their last 27 (.074)...rank second in the AL in hits (19), RBI (13) and plate appearances (101) but are tied for last in walks (3).

A's vs. ASTROS: The A's are 6-8 against the Astros...that includes 4-2 in Oakland and 2-6 in Houston...have lost eight of the last 10 games at Minute Maid Park but have won nine of the last 12 games in the Coliseum...lost the season series to the Astros for the first time last year...lead the all-time series 46-31 (.597)...16 of the A's 31 losses to Houston have been by one run...are 25-13 in Oakland and 21-18 in Houston.

TODAY'S TIDBITS

Coco Crisp is batting a Major League leading .424 with runners in scoring position...started the season 0-for-9 with RISP but is 28-for-57 (.491) since then...**Khris Davis** has seven home runs in his last 17 games and 34 for the season, which are the most by an Athletic since 2006 when Frank Thomas had 39 and Nick Swisher had 35...**Ryon Healy** had his 14-game hitting streak snapped yesterday, but now has a 15-game reaching base streak, which matches the A's season high...**Ryan Madson** has not allowed a run in nine games and 10.2 innings in August and is a perfect 5-for-5 in save opportunities.

THIS DATE IN A'S HISTORY

In **1974** Claudell Washington has five hits in five at bats, collecting three singles, a double and a triple in the A's 10-5 win at Detroit...in **1995** the A's tie a club record with three triples in a 7-2 win at Baltimore...Brent Gates has one of those triples, and adds a single and a double to fall a home run short of the cycle...in **2001** Eric Chavez homers twice and has eight RBI in the A's 15-0 win at Baltimore.

PITCHING PROBABLES

Wed., Aug. 31 at Houston	LHP Ross Detwiler (1-3, 5.74) vs. RHP Mike Fiers (9-6, 4.40)	11:10	MLBN/95.7 FM The Game
Fri., Sept. 2 vs. Boston	RHP Andrew Triggs (1-1, 4.39) vs. TBA	7:05	CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game
Sat., Sept. 3 vs. Boston	TBA vs. TBA	6:05	CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game
Sun., Sept. 4 vs. Boston	RHP Kendall Graveman (pitching tonight) vs. TBA	1:05	CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game

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TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER: Kendall Graveman (10-8, 3.97 ERA)

FOR STARTERS: Is 3-1 with a 1.88 ERA (6 er in 28.2 ip) over his last four starts...is now 9-2 with a 3.33 ERA (38 er in 102.2 ip) over his last 16 starts after going 1-6 with a 5.36 ERA over his first nine starts...has eight wins dating back to June 23, which is tied for third most in the American League over that span.

DON'T WALK: Has walked two batters or fewer in 14 of his last 15 starts and has 16 walks in 96.2 innings over that span for an average of 1.49 per nine innings...walked 22 batters over his first 10 starts and 53.0 innings (3.74 per nine innings)...has walked just five batters to lead off an inning, which is tied for fourth fewest in the American League among pitchers with enough innings to qualify for the ERA title...has walked one batter or fewer in 15 of his 25 starts.

AMONG THE LEADERS: Is tied for second in the American League in shutouts (1), ranks third in fewest strikeouts per nine innings (5.23), tied for fourth in complete games (2), fifth in fewest pitches per game (90.6) and tied for fifth in opponents reaching on an error (8).

SINCE THE ALL-STAR BREAK: Is 5-2 with a 3.27 ERA (20 er in 55.0 ip) in eight starts since the All-Star Break after going 5-6 with a 4.37 ERA in 17 starts before the break...is tied for fifth in the American League in wins since the break...his five post-break wins surpass Sonny Gray's and Fernando Rodriguez' team leading total of four from last year.

MONTH BY MONTH: Is 3-1 with a 3.31 ERA (12 er in 32.2 ip) in five starts in August...has won more than three games in a month once in his career and that came this July when he went 4-1 with a 2.68 ERA and .219 opponents batting average in five starts...the July wins tied for third in the American League...went 1-0 with a 4.33 ERA in five starts in June...was 1-4 with a 5.87 ERA in six starts in May...his May loss total tied for second in the AL...it was the first time he has lost four games in a month in his career...went 1-2 with a 4.03 ERA in four starts in April.

DAYS REST: Is scheduled to start on five days rest today...is 4-3 with a 4.40 ERA (38 er in 77.2 ip) in 13 starts on four days rest compared to 6-5 with a 3.50 ERA (28 er in 72.0 ip) in 12 starts on five days rest or more.

HOME AND AWAY: Is 5-4 with a 2.88 ERA (23 er in 72.0 ip) in 11 starts at home compared to 5-4 with a 4.98 ERA (43 er in 77.2 ip) in 14 starts on the road...has the fifth lowest home ERA in the American League...has surrendered six home runs in 72.0 innings at home compared to 13 in 77.2 innings on the road.

SUPPORT: Has left with the lead in four of his starts only to have the bullpen blow the save (April 12 vs. Los Angeles-AL, June 17 vs. Los Angeles, June 28 vs. San Francisco, July 29 at Cleveland)...is averaging 5.79 (66 rs in 102.2 ip) runs of support over his last 16 starts after receiving an average of 2.30 runs of support over his first nine starts...is 0-5 with two runs of support or fewer, 10-2 with three runs of support or more...is now 1-14 in 20 career starts with two runs of support or fewer, 15-3 in 26 starts with three runs of support or more.

THIS AND THAT: Is scheduled to make his 26th start of the season today, which is an on-going career high...is in his second full season and has career highs in every category except losses...has a 1.44 ERA (4 er in 25.0 ip) in the first inning, 4.48 (62 er in 124.2 ip) after that...has the third lowest ERA in the first inning in the American League...went 1-2 with a 7.29 ERA over the first nine games (four starts) of his career through April 25, 2015, 5-2 with a 1.78 ERA over a nine-start stretch from May 23-July 4, 2015, 1-11 with a 5.57 ERA over a 17-start stretch from July 10, 2015-May 24, 2016 and is 8-2 with a 3.65 ERA (38 er in 93.2 ip) over his last 13 starts.

2016 HIGHLIGHTS: Allowed four hits or fewer in each of his first three starts, joining John Odum (1969) and Mike Norris (1980) as the only pitchers in Oakland history on an Opening Day roster to allow four hits or fewer while tossing five innings or more in each of their first three starts...picked up his first win of the season and struck out a career-high eight batters April 20 at New York (AL)...it snapped a career-high six-game losing streak dating back to July 10, 2015...compiled a 5.52 ERA and .276 opponents batting average during the losing streak, which spanned nine starts...then lost each of his next five starts from April 25 to May 19...logged a 7.92 ERA and .361 opponents batting average during the losing streak, which fell one short of his career high of six...snapped his five-game losing streak in a 3-2 win over Minnesota May 30...tossed 8.0 innings July 9 at Houston, snapping a streak of 28 consecutive starts of seven innings or fewer dating back to June 18 of last year...that was the fifth longest such streak in Oakland history...fired his second career complete game in the A's 4-3 win over Tampa Bay on July 23 in Oakland...allowed nine hits, which were the most by an A's pitcher in a complete game since Mark Redman allowed 12 on May 13, 2004 against Detroit...had his career high six-game winning streak come to an end in the A's 5-3 loss at Cleveland July 29...compiled

a 3.25 ERA and .264 opponents batting average during the streak, which spanned 10 starts from May 30 to July 23...fired his third career complete game and his first shutout, a two-hitter in the A's 9-0 win at Chicago (AL) Aug. 19...became the ninth Oakland pitcher since 1987 to toss fewer than 100 pitches in a shutout, the first since Rich Harden on July 14, 2005 against Texas (80)...faced just one batter over the minimum to become the 13th pitcher in Oakland history to face 28 batters or fewer in a nine inning complete game (last: Dallas Braden, May 9, 2010 vs. Tampa Bay).

LAST START: He was the winning pitcher in the A's 5-1 win over Cleveland last Wednesday in Oakland...the A's scored five times in the second inning and he shut out the Indians on four hits, a walk and a hit batter over the first six innings...allowed his only run on a two-out home run by Perez in the seventh inning...that snapped a 16.0-inning scoreless streak.

GRAVEMAN'S 2016 STARTS													
Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	#PIT	
April 7	Chicago (AL)	1-6	L	3.38	5.1	3	2	2	1	4	1	84	
April 12	Los Angeles (AL)	4-5	-	2.38	6.0	4	1	1	2	3	0	98	
April 20	at New York (AL)	5-2	W	2.04	6.1	3	1	1	3	8	1	111	
April 25	at Detroit	3-7	L	4.03	4.2	10	6	6	1	4	3	84	
April Totals (4 games, 4 starts)				1-2	4.03	22.1	20	10	10	7	19	5	
May 2	Seattle	3-4	L	4.40	6.1	10	4	4	1	6	0	97	
May 8	at Baltimore	3-11	L	5.74	2.2	5	6	6	3	2	4	58	
May 14	at Tampa Bay	0-6	L	5.84	5.2	6	4	4	3	1	1	101	
May 19	New York (AL)	1-4	L	5.48	5.2	8	2	2	3	5	0	98	
May 24	at Seattle	5-6	-	5.36	4.1	7	2	2	2	3	0	79	
May 30	Minnesota	3-2	W	5.09	6.0	6	2	2	3	5	0	85	
May Totals (6 games, 6 starts)				1-4	5.87	30.2	42	20	20	15	22	5	
June 4	at Houston	5-6 (12)	-	5.49	4.1	7	5	5	1	1	1	74	
June 12	at Cincinnati	6-1	-	5.28	4.0	7	1	1	2	5	0	76	
June 17	Los Angeles (AL)	3-2	-	4.87	7.0	3	1	1	1	4	1	91	
June 23	at Los Angeles (AL)	5-4	W	4.68	6.2	8	2	2	0	1	0	95	
June 28	at San Francisco	13-11	-	4.84	5.0	9	4	4	1	3	0	77	
June Totals (5 games, 5 starts)				1-0	4.33	27.0	34	13	13	5	14	2	
July 4	at Minnesota	3-1	W	4.57	6.2	3	1	1	4	3	0	103	
July 9	at Houston	3-2	W	4.37	8.0	5	2	2	0	3	0	93	
July 18	Houston	7-4	W	4.25	7.0	7	3	2	1	5	1	112	
July 23	Tampa Bay	4-3	W	4.15	9.0	9	3	3	1	4	0	102	
July 29	at Cleveland	3-5	L	4.15	6.1	6	4	3	2	1	1	94	
July Totals (5 games, 5 starts)				4-1	2.68	37.0	30	13	11	8	16	2	
Aug. 3	at Los Angeles (AL)	6-8	-	4.46	4.0	9	6	6	1	3	2	75	
Aug. 8	Baltimore	3-2	W	4.29	7.0	6	1	1	0	4	0	99	
Aug. 13	Seattle	3-4	L	4.37	6.0	7	4	4	1	2	2	79	
Aug. 19	at Chicago (AL)	9-0	W	4.09	9.0	2	0	0	0	5	0	98	
Aug. 24	Cleveland	5-1	W	3.97	6.2	6	1	1	2	2	1	102	

GRAVEMAN vs. HOUSTON: Is 3-1 with a 4.60 ERA (29.1 ip, 32 h, 16 r, 15 er, 7 bb, 13 so, 3 hr) in five career starts...that includes 2-0 with a 3.57 ERA (7 er in 17.2 ip) in three starts in Houston and 1-1 with a 6.17 ERA (8 er in 11.2 ip) in two starts in Oakland...is 2-0 with a 4.19 ERA (19.1 ip,

STARTS VS. HOUSTON										
Date	H/A	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO		
4/14/15	A	W	5.1	4	0	0	4	3		
4/25/15	H	L	4.2	9	6	6	1	1		
6/4/16	A	-	4.1	7	5	5	1	1		
7/9/16	A	W	8.0	5	2	2	0	3		
7/18/16	H	W	7.0	7	3	2	1	5		

19 h, 10 r, 9 er, 2 bb, 9 so, 2 hr) in three starts this year...the no decision came in a 6-5 A's loss at Houston in 12 innings on June 4...the A's scored three times in the second but he allowed three in the bottom of the second on a two-run home run by Gattis and a Marisnick sacrifice fly...also allowed a Rasmus RBI double in the third and a Correa RBI single in the fifth and left after 4.1 innings trailing 5-3...then picked up the win in a 3-2 A's win at Houston July 9...retired each of the first 14 batters before Reed singled with two outs in the fifth...had a 3-0 lead when he allowed back-to-back singles to Marisnick and Gonzalez to start the ninth...was relieved by Dull who allowed both inherited runners to score...also won in a 7-4 A's victory in Oakland on July 18...allowed a Rasmus sacrifice fly in the second and an unearned run in the fourth, but the A's scored five times in the bottom of the fourth to take a 5-2 lead...also yielded a solo home run to Gonzalez in the fifth.

GRAVEMAN'S CAREER MATCHUPS VS. HOUSTON																
Player	Bat	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SH	SF	HBP	GDP	AVG	OBP	SLG
Jose Altuve	R	15	4	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	.267	.267	.467
Jason Castro	L	11	3	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	.273	.333	.273
Carlos Correa	R	8	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	.250	.333	.375
Evan Gattis	R	8	2	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	.250	.250	.625
Marwin Gonzalez	S	11	4	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	.364	.417	.727
Jake Marisnick	R	6	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	.167	.143	.167
Colby Rasmus	L	8	4	2	0	0	2	1	2	0	1	0	0	.500	.500	.750
A.J. Reed	L	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.167	.167	.167
George Springer	R	12	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	.167	.231	.250
Luis Valbuena	L	12	5	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	.417	.500	.667

GRAVEMAN BY THE NUMBERS						
	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
2016	10	8	3.97	25	149.2	66
2015	6	9	4.05	21	115.2	52
Career	16	17	4.00	51	270.0	120
vs. LHH						
	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
Home	5	4	2.88	11	72.0	23
Road	5	4	4.98	14	77.2	43
Day	4	2	4.12	8	43.2	20
Night	6	6	3.91	17	106.0	46
Pre-ASB	5	6	4.37	17	94.2	46
Post-ASB	5	2	3.27	8	55.0	20
vs. RHH						
	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
AVG.			.271		310	84
AB					270	72

GRAVEMAN'S CAREER HIGHS	
Low Hit CG:	2, 8/19/16 at CWS
IP:	9.0 (twice), last: 8/19/16 at CWS
Fewest IP, GS:	1.1, 7/26/15 at SF
H:	10 (twice), last: 5/2/16 vs. SEA
R:	8, 4/9/15 vs. TEX
ER:	7, 4/9/15 vs. TEX
BB:	4 (twice), last: 7/4/16 at MIN
SO:	8, 4/20/16 at NYY
HR:	4, 5/8/16 at BAL
Pitches:	112, 7/18/16 vs. HOU
Win Streak:	6, 5/30/16 to 7/23/16
Loss Streak:	6, 7/10/15 to 4/7/16
Scoreless Streak:	19.0, 6/24/15 to 7/10/15
Complete Games:	3, last: 8/19/16 at CWS
Shutouts:	1, 8/19/16 at CWS

TOMORROW'S PROBABLE STARTING PITCHER

LHP Ross Detwiler (1-3, 5.74 ERA): Was selected from Triple-A Nashville Aug. 10 and is 1-3 with a 5.73 ERA in four starts with Oakland...has allowed 14 runs in his last three starts (14.0 ip), all losses, after tossing 8.0 shutout innings for the win in his first start...was a non-roster invitee with Cleveland this spring and made the Indians Opening Day roster...logged a 5.79 ERA in seven relief appearances before he was designated for assignment April 29...was traded to the A's in a minor league deal for cash considerations on July 17...lost his third consecutive start in his last start, a 3-1 A's loss at St. Louis last Friday (5.1 ip, 6 h, 3 r, 3 er, 1 bb, 6 so)...is 1-0 with a 2.38 ERA (22.2 ip, 17 h, 6 r, 6 er, 8 bb, 12 so, 1 hr) in five career appearances, including three starts, against Houston...combined for a 6-4 record and a 4.40 ERA in 16 games, 15 starts, Triple-A Columbus and Nashville.

ATHLETICS BULLPEN BRIEFS

TEAM

21-17, 3.78 ERA (188 er in 447.1 ip)
Saves/Opportunities: 36-for-53 (67.9%)

- The A's bullpen has compiled a 1.93 ERA (6 er in 28.0 ip) and .220 (22-for-100) opponents batting average over its last nine games (since August 20).
- Has allowed 53-of-211 (25.1%) inherited runners to score, which is the best percentage in the AL and second best in the majors (San Francisco, 21.4%).
- Is tied for the AL lead in innings pitched (447.1), ranks fourth in strikeouts (426) and opponents on-base percentage (.307), fifth in slugging percentage (.383) and tied for fifth in wins (21) and fewest losses (17)... ranks third in most wild pitches (26) and tied for third in blown saves (17) and walks (154).
- First batters faced are 85-for-373 (.228) with 30 walks (.283 on-base percentage)...leads the AL in first batter slugging percentage (.319), ranks second in on-base percentage and third in batting average.

61 RHP JOHN AXFORD

Last Outing: 8/26 at St. Louis (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 1 bb, 2 so)
Saves/Opportunities: 2-8
Inherited Runners/Scored: 14/7
First Hitters: 12-53, 3 bb

- Has not allowed an earned run in 11 of his last 12 games for a 2.45 ERA (3 er in 11.0 ip)...however, has a 6.39 ERA (18 er in 25.1 ip) over his last 30 games (since June 15) after logging a 2.70 ERA over his first 26 contests.
- Is tied for third among American League relievers in most blown saves (6) and walks (26).
- Has allowed nine of his 27 runs in sixth inning (2.2 ip, 30.38 ERA)...has a 3.10 ERA (17 er in 49.1 ip) from the seventh inning on.
- Has a .357 (15-for-42) opponents batting average with runners in scoring position, including .429 (9-for-21) with RISP and two outs.
- Has not allowed a run in five games and 6.1 innings against the Astros this year...is 3-1 with a 2.35 ERA (6 er in 23.0 ip) and has converted 8-of-9 (88.9%) save opportunities in 22 games in his career against Houston.

Last Year: Was 4-5 with a 4.20 ERA and a team-leading 25 saves in 60 relief appearances with Colorado...had a 2.70 ERA and .216 opponents average on the road, a 5.59 ERA and .298 opponents average at Coors Field.

57 LHP DANIEL COULOMBE

Last Outing: 8/27 at St. Louis (W, 1.1 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 3 so)
Saves/Opportunities: 0-1
Inherited Runners/Scored: 10/2
First Hitters: 2-22, bb

- Was recalled from Triple-A Nashville on July 19 for his fifth stint with the A's this year and has a 3.93 ERA (8 er in 18.1 ip) in 11 games since then.
- Opponents are batting .209...that includes a .173 (13-for-75) average against right-handed hitters, .259 (14-for-54) against left-handers.
- Has a 1.69 ERA (1 er in 5.1 ip) in four games against Houston.
- Was with Oakland for the first time for a one-day stint on May 10...pitched twice during his second stint from May 22-25...logged a 4.50 ERA in seven outings during his third stint from June 4-21...appeared in three games during his fourth stint from June 30-July 3.
- Had two scoreless outings with Nashville following his most recent option on July 4...has a .200 opponents batting average overall and has not allowed a home run...his complete 2016 minor league stats:

	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Nashville (AAA)	0	0	1.08	20	0	0	0	0	25.0	18	4	3	6	35

Last Year: Had no decisions and a 5.63 ERA in 14 relief appearances with the Dodgers and A's...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 games.

66 RHP RYAN DULL

Last Outing: 8/28 at St. Louis (ND, 1.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 0 bb, 0 so)
Saves/Opportunities: 2-4
Inherited Runners/Scored: 48/7
First Hitters: 7-56, 2 bb

- Has a 4.22 ERA (5 er in 10.1 ip) and .333 (14-for-42) opponents batting average in August...compiled a 2.01 ERA and .148 opponents average over the first four months this year.
- Has allowed 7 of his last 12 (58.3%) inherited runners to score after stranding each of his first 36 inherited runners, which was the longest streak by any pitcher in the expansion era.
- Has allowed 7-of-48 (14.6%) inherited runners to score for the season, which is best percentage by a rookie in Oakland history and the fourth best percentage in the American League.
- Leads AL rookies, is tied for fourth among all AL pitchers and tied for sixth among rookies in Oakland history in games pitched (60).
- Ranks third among AL relievers in opponents on-base percentage (.218), tied for fourth in innings (64.1), eighth in batting average (.182) and walks per nine innings (1.54) and tied for 10th in wins (5)...is tied for fifth in most wild pitches (6) and tied for eighth in home runs allowed (9).

MOST GAMES PITCHED, OAKLAND A'S ROOKIES

71 Ryan Cook, 2012
71 Aaron Small, 1997
68 Andrew Bailey, 2009
67 Huston Street, 2005
64 Bob Lacey, 1977
60 Ryan Dull, 2016
60 Rollie Fingers, 1969

LOWEST PERCENTAGE OF INHERITED RUNNERS SCORED, OAKLAND ROOKIE

14.6% Ryan Dull, 2016
15.2% Steve Ontiveros, 1985
16.1% Santiago Casilla, 2007
16.7% Jay Marshall, 2007
20.0% Greg Cadaret, 1987 (since 1974)

- Opponents are 5-for-62 (.081) with runners in scoring position, including 3-for-35 (.086) with RISP and two outs.
- Is 0-1 with a save and 1.42 ERA (1 er in 6.1 ip) in six games against the Astros.

Last Year: Was named the A's Organizational Pitcher of the Year after going 3-2 with 12 saves and a 0.74 ERA in 47 games with Midland and Nashville...made his ML debut in September and went 1-2 with a save and a 4.24 ERA in 13 games.

31 RHP LIAM HENDRIKS

Last Outing: 8/28 at St. Louis (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)
Saves/Opportunities: 0-0
Inherited Runners/Scored: 31/5
First Hitters: 10-39, bb

- Has not allowed a run in nine of his last 10 games for a 0.87 ERA (1 er in 10.1 ip).
- Has allowed 5-of-31 (16.1%) inherited runners to score, which is the fifth best percentage in the American League.
- Ranks eighth among AL relievers in strikeouts per walk (6.00) and ninth in walks per nine innings (1.60).
- Opponents are batting .276...that includes .218 (17-for-78) against left-handed hitters, .314 (38-for-121) against right-handers.
- Has a 1.87 ERA (7 er in 33.2 ip) in 25 games at night, a 7.94 ERA (15 er in 17.0 ip) in 15 games during the day.
- Has a 1.83 ERA (7 er in 34.1 ip) in 29 games since he was reinstated from the 15-day disabled list on June 19...logged an 8.27 ERA in 11 games before he was placed on the DL with a strained right triceps.
- Has not allowed an earned run in three games and 3.2 innings against the Astros.

Last Year: Pitched exclusively in relief for the first time in his career and was 5-0 with a 2.92 ERA in 58 games with Toronto...had career highs in games and strikeouts (71) and career lows in ERA and opponents batting average (.240).

44 RHP RYAN MADSON

Last Outing: 8/28 at St. Louis (S, 1.0 ip, 2 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)
Saves/Opportunities: 27-33
Inherited Runners/Scored: 6/0
First Hitters: 12-50, 4 bb

- Has not allowed a run in nine games and 10.2 innings in August and is a perfect 5-for-5 in save opportunities...his ERA increased in each of the first four months this year as he had a 1.42 ERA in April, 3.72 ERA in May, 4.22 ERA in June and 6.55 ERA in July.
- Ranks seventh among American League relievers in saves (27)...however, is tied for third in most blown saves (6).
- Has a 5.40 ERA (15 er in 25.0 ip) in 25 games against AL West teams, a 1.21 ERA (4 er in 29.2 ip) in 29 games against all other opponents.
- Has a 1.35 ERA (3 er in 20.0 ip) in 20 games during the day and 1.91 ERA (6 er in 28.1 ip) in 28 games at home.
- Compiled a 1.02 ERA and was a perfect 11-for-11 in save opportunities over his first 18 games but has a 4.14 ERA (17 er in 37.0 ip) and converted 16-of-22 (72.7%) save opportunities over his last 36 games (since May 17).
- Is 1-2 with a 7.94 ERA (5 er in 5.2 ip) and has converted 3-of-5 save opportunities in seven games against Houston.

Last Year: Returned to the majors for the first time since 2011 and was 1-2 with three saves and a career-low 2.13 ERA in 68 appearances with Kansas City...also had career lows in opponents batting (.205) and on-base percentage (.254).

53 RHP ZACH NEAL

Last Outing: 8/27 at St. Louis (ND, 6.0 ip, 6 h, 2 r, 1 er, 0 bb, 3 so, 1 hr)
Saves/Opportunities: 1-1
Inherited Runners/Scored: 0/0
First Hitters: 4-10

- Was recalled from Triple-A Nashville July 21 for his fourth stint with the A's this year and is 1-2 with a 3.34 ERA (11 er in 29.2 ip) in seven games, including four starts, since then.
- Is 1-3 with a 6.39 ERA (18 er in 25.1 ip) in five starting assignments compared to 1-0 with a 3.15 ERA (7 er in 20.0 ip) in 10 relief appearances.
- Has issued just two walks in 45.1 innings, an average of 0.40 walks per nine innings...that is the lowest mark in the majors among pitchers with 30 or more innings pitched...has struck out just 17, an average of 3.38 per nine innings, which is also the lowest in the majors using the 30.0 innings minimum.
- Has not faced Houston in his career.
- Made his Major League debut during his first stint from May 11-12 (May 11 at Boston)...pitched twice during his second stay from May 25-30...logged a 4.70 ERA in five games during his last stint from June 10-30.
- Went 1-1 with a 4.50 ERA in three starts with Nashville following his most recent option...has a .259 opponents batting average overall...his complete 2016 minor league stats:

	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Nashville (AAA)	7	2	3.21	11	11	0	0	0	61.2	62	27	22	8	32

Last Year: Started the year at Double-A Midland and ended it with Triple-A Nashville...was 3-3 with a 6.44 ERA in seven starts with Midland, 7-10 with a 4.18 ERA in 21 games, including 20 starts, with Nashville and 10-13 with a 4.67 ERA overall.

56 RHP CHRIS SMITH**Last Outing:** 8/29 at Houston (ND, 2.2 ip, 4 h, 4 r, 4 er, 2 bb, 5 so, 1 hr)**Saves/Opportunities:** 0-0**Inherited Runners/Scored:** 0/0**First Hitters:** 0-4, 2 bb

- Recorded a career-high tying five strikeouts last night (also June 13, 2009 against Chicago-AL)...also allowed a career-high tying four runs (third time, last: Sept. 15, 2008 at Tampa Bay).
- Was selected from Triple-A Nashville August 7 for his first stint with the A's this year and has a 5.59 ERA (6 er in 9.2 ip) in six games since then.
- His appearance last night was his first against Houston since Sept. 20, 2009...has a 5.40 ERA (4 er in 6.2 ip) in four games in his career against the Astros.
- This is his first stint in the majors since 2010 when he logged a 5.40 ERA in three relief appearances with Milwaukee.
- Pitched in the Mariners farm system in 2011, was out of baseball in 2012 and had stints with independent teams in Wichita (2013) and Sugar Land (2014) before signing a minor league deal with San Diego in 2014.
- Was 1-5 with a 5.21 ERA over his first seven starts with Nashville through May 9, but is 5-3 with a 3.40 ERA in 15 starts since then...his complete 2016 minor league stats:

	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Nashville (AAA)	6	8	3.93	22	22	0	0	0	130.2	120	64	57	45	121

Last Year: Spent most of the year at Triple-A El Paso where he went 5-7 with a 3.60 ERA in 22 starts...also had no decisions and a 0.90 ERA in two starts for Double-A San Antonio...had minor league career highs in strikeouts (132) and walks (44).

64 RHP J.B. WENDELKEN**Last Outing:** 8/29 at Houston (ND, 2.0 ip, 3 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 2 so)**Saves/Opportunities:** 0-0**Inherited Runners/Scored:** 3/3**First Hitters:** 2-5

- Was recalled from Triple-A Nashville last Wednesday for his fourth stint with the A's this year and has not allowed a run in two games and 3.0 innings since then.
- His appearance last night was the first of his career against the Astros.
- Made his Major League debut with two appearances during his first stay from May 8-9, did not pitch during his second stay from June 3-4 and tossed 3.0 scoreless innings in his only outing during his third stint (July 26-Aug. 1) on July 31 at Cleveland.
- Logged a 1.93 ERA in six relief appearances with Nashville following his last option on Aug. 2...has 65 strikeouts in 46.0 innings overall, an average of 12.72 per nine innings...his complete 2016 minor league stats:

	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Nashville (AAA)	1	4	4.11	39	0	0	0	5	46.0	48	25	21	26	65

Last Year: Began the season at Double-A Birmingham and was 6-2 with five saves and a 2.72 ERA in 27 games when he was promoted to Triple-A Charlotte July 25...had no decisions and a 4.50 ERA in 12 games with the Knights.

ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

17 YONDER ALONSO

Current Streak: 0 for 7
Houston Series: 0-4, so, gidp
Road Trip: 2-11, r, hr, rbi, 2 so, gidp

- Is 6-for-43 (.140) with four walks and five RBI over his last 14 games.
- Is batting .284 (60-for-211) on the road compared to .206 (37-for-180) at home...however, has 26 RBI at home compared to 18 on the road.
- Is hitting .362 (17-for-47) with five doubles, two home runs, 12 RBI and eight walks (.455 on-base percentage) in 14 games against Houston... is a .322 (28-for-87) career hitter against the Astros, including .378 (17-for-45) at Minute Maid Park.
- Has six home runs and 26 RBI over his last 53 games after tallying one home run and 18 RBI over his first 74 contests.
- Six of his seven home runs this year and 19 of his 39 career home runs have come with runners on base.

Last Year: Batted .282 with five home runs and 31 RBI in 103 games in a season shortened by two stints on the disabled list...the batting average was his best in his four seasons with San Diego, as was his .361 on-base percentage and .742 OPS.

16 BILLY BUTLER

Current Streak: 0 for 8
Houston Series: 0-1
Road Trip: 0-1

- Was reinstated from the seven-day concussion disabled list yesterday and hit into a fielders choice as a pinch hitter...was placed on the DL Aug. 22.
- Is batting .392 (20-for-51) with seven multiple hit games over his last 16 games.
- Improved his batting average each of the first four months this year as he hit .219 in April, .222 in May, .294 in June and .348 in July...is currently hitting .324 (12-for-37) in August.
- Is batting .333 (18-for-54) with runners in scoring position and .316 (30-for-95) on the road.
- Is 5-for-15 (.333) against Houston.
- Is 6-for-22 (.273) with five RBI as a pinch hitter...is tied for the American League lead in pinch hits (Lee, SEA), ranks second in RBI (Lee, SEA 7) and third in plate appearances (22)...his six pinch hits match the most by an Athletic over the last 13 years.

Last Year: Batted .251 with 15 home runs and 65 RBI in 151 games in his first season with the A's...the batting average was 20 points below his previous career low of .271 in 2014...his .323 on-base percentage matched his career low from 2014.

4 COCO CRISP

Current Streak: 0 for 7
Houston Series: 0-4, 2 so
Road Trip: 1-9, 3 so

- Is 12-for-65 (.185) over his last 16 games and is now batting .212 (25-for-118) since the All-Star Break.
- Is batting a Major League leading .424 with runners in scoring position...started the season 0-for-9 with RISP but is 28-for-57 (.491) since then.
- Is hitting .155 (11-for-71) when leading off a game, which is the lowest mark in the majors (min. 40 plate appearances).
- Has not been hit by a pitch since May 9, 2011 (C.J. Wilson) and his streak of 622 consecutive games without being hit is the longest active streak in the majors and the longest in Athletics history.

Last Year: Was limited to just 44 games due to two stints on the DL and batted a career-low .175...also had the lowest on-base percentage (.252) and slugging percentage (.222) of his career and his games played were his fewest since 2002 (32).

2 CHRIS DAVIS

Current Streak: 3 games (3 for 9)
Houston Series: 1-3, bb, 2 so
Road Trip: 3-13, 3 r, hr, 3 rbi, 3 bb, 5 so, gidp

- Is batting .328 (20-for-61) with four doubles, one triple, seven home runs (.770 slugging percentage) and 15 RBI over his last 17 games.
- Is tied for third in the American League in home runs (34) and ranks 10th in RBI (85)...is also tied for eighth in grounded into double plays (17), ranks 10th in strikeouts (132) and tied for 10th in hit by pitches (8).
- His 34 home runs are the most by an Athletic since 2006 when Frank Thomas had 39 and Nick Swisher had 35...Thomas is the only other A's right-handed hitter to hit 30 home runs over the last 14 years.
- Is batting .278 (42-for-151) with 15 home runs and 30 RBI in 41 games since the All-Star Break after hitting .248 with 19 home runs and 55 RBI in 81 games before the break...the home runs since the break rank third in the majors (Dozier, MIN and Gyorko, STL 16).
- Is hitting .286 (86-for-301) with 26 of his 34 home runs at night compared to .205 (32-for-156) during the day...leads the majors in night home runs and is tied for sixth in RBI (66)...has the most night home runs by an Athletic since Jason Giambi had 26 in 2000.
- Has hit 21 of his home runs as a left fielder, which are the most among AL left fielders and third most in the majors.
- Is 8-for-58 (.138) against Houston.
- Has hit 18 home runs at home, which match the most by an Athletic over the last eight years (Josh Reddick, 2012).
- Has career highs in home runs (34), RBI (85) and strikeouts (132) and has matched his best in runs scored (70) and triples (2).

Last Year: Batted .247 with 27 home runs and 66 RBI in 121 games with Milwaukee...had career highs in walks (44) and stolen bases (6) and matched his best in triples (2)...led the Brewers and tied for 10th in the National League in home runs.

39 BRETT EIBNER

Current Streak: 0 for 6
St. Louis Series: 1-7, rbi, bb, 4 so, sf
Last Homestand: 1-7

- Was recalled from Triple-A Nashville August 5 and is 6-for-37 (.162) in 18 games.
- Has made 10 starts with the A's (nine in right field, one in left field) and 28 overall (18 in right field, 10 in left field).
- Is 7-for-59 (.119) in 25 games since the All-Star Break after hitting .304 in 19 contests before the break.
- Is hitting .154 (6-for-39) on the road and .178 (13-for-73) at night.
- Made his Major League debut with Kansas City earlier this year and hit .231 with three home runs and 10 RBI in 26 games over two stints... was traded to the A's on July 30 for Billy Burns but reported to Nashville.
- Combined to hit .289 with 12 home runs and 34 RBI in 54 games overall at Triple-A...appeared in 37 games in center field, 12 in right field and three in left field...his complete 2016 minor league statistics:

	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Omaha (AAA)	.288	50	184	37	53	7	1	11	32	30	48	5	1	.516	.385
Nashville (AAA)	.308	4	13	4	4	2	0	1	2	5	6	0	0	.692	.500

Last Year: Spent the entire season at Triple-A Omaha where he batted .303 with 19 home runs and 81 RBI in 103 games...ranked ninth in the Pacific Coast League in RBI, slugging percentage (.514) and OPS (.878)...hit .348 with RISP.

48 RYON HEALY

Current Streak: 0 for 4
Houston Series: 0-3, bb, so
Road Trip: 4-14, 2 r, 3 2b, 2 bb, 3 so, gidp

- Went 0-for-3 last night to snap his hitting streak at a career-high 14 games...the streak is the longest by an Athletic this year and the longest by an American League rookie...went 21-for-52 (.404) during the streak.
- Walked yesterday and now has a 15-game reaching base streak which matches the A's season high...is 21-for-55 (.382) with four walks (.424 on-base percentage) during the streak.
- Each of his last three hits and five of his last eight are doubles.
- Is hitting .378 (17-for-45) in the seventh inning or later, .308 (28-for-91) in August, .302 (32-for-106) against right-handed pitchers and .300 (9-for-30) with runners in scoring position.
- Was selected from Triple-A Nashville July 15 (first day after the All-Star Break) and has started 41 of the A's 42 games since then at third base.
- Has made both his Major League and Triple-A debut this year...hit .338 at Double-A Midland and was promoted to Nashville May 17...batted .318 with the Sounds and combined to hit .326 with 14 home runs and 64 RBI in 85 games...was tied for fifth in all of minor league baseball in extra base hits (46) at the time of his promotion.

Last Year: Spent the entire season at Midland in his Double-A debut and was named to the Texas League Postseason All-Star Team after hitting .302 with 10 home runs and 62 RBI in 124 games.

63 BRUCE MAXWELL

Current Streak: 2 games (2 for 6)
St. Louis Series: 1-2, r, bb, so
Last Homestand: 1-4, r, 2b, 2 rbi, so

- Was selected from Triple-A Nashville July 23 and has appeared in 11 games since then, including nine starts at catcher...is 4-for-29 (.138).
- Had a two-run double in the eighth inning a week ago tonight for the first RBI of his career...two of his four career hits are doubles.
- Opponents have been successful in each of their five stolen base attempts off him...tossed out 30-of-77 (39.0%) at Nashville.
- Had not played above Double-A prior to this year...his 10 home runs with Nashville are a career-high...hit safely in each of his final eight games with the Sounds (18-for-28, .643, 5 HR, 16 RBI)...made all 60 of his appearances at catcher...his complete 2016 stats with Nashville:

	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Nashville (AAA)	.321	60	193	27	62	12	0	10	41	24	38	1	0	.539	.393

Last Year: Spent the entire season at Double-A Midland where he batted .243 with two home runs and 48 RBI in 96 games...led Texas League catchers with a .997 fielding percentage and tossed out 19-of-86 (22.1%) attempted base stealers.

12 MAX MUNCY

Current Streak: 0 for 10
Houston Series: 0-2, bb, so, gidp
Road Trip: 0-8, rbi, 2 bb, 3 so, gidp

- Has made each of his last 17 starts at second base and is 7-for-52 (.135) in 19 games total over that span (dating back to Aug. 4).
- Has made each of his 31 starts this year and all 57 in his career against right-handed pitchers...is 0-for-3 against left-handed pitchers this year and 0-for-4 with a walk in his career.
- Has made 18 starts at second base, 11 in right field and one at third base...had never played right or second in the majors prior to this year.
- Was recalled from Triple-A Nashville July 25 for his third stint with the A's this year and is 9-for-60 (.150) in 23 games, including 19 starts (18 at second base, one in right field), since his return.
- Hit .251 with eight home runs and 26 RBI in 64 games with the Sounds...also had 35 walks for a .360 on-base percentage...appeared in 28 games in left field, 13 at third base, eight in right field, three at first base and three at second base.

Last Year: Made both his Triple-A and Major League debut in his fourth professional season...batted .206 with 3 HR and 9 RBI in 45 games over four stints with Oakland and .274 with 4 HR and 35 RBI in 60 games with Nashville.

18 CHAD PINDER

Current Streak: 3 games (3 for 11)
St. Louis Series: 1-4, 2 so
Last Homestand: 2-10, 2 rbi, 3 so, sf

- Was selected from Triple-A Nashville August 19 and has started six games since then (three at shortstop, two at second base).
- Has hit safely in each of his last three games (3-for-11, .273) after going 1-for-11 (.091) over the first three.
- Was selected by the A's in the Competitive Balance Round B of the 2013 First-Year Player Draft and is a .280 career hitter with 45 home runs and 200 RBI in 360 minor league games over four professional seasons.
- Had spent the entire season at Nashville where he was making his Triple-A debut...was leading the Sounds in runs scored (72) at the time of his promotion... appeared in 98 games at shortstop and four at second base...his complete 2016 statistics with Nashville follow:

AVG G AB R H 2B 3B HR RBI BB SO SB CS SLG OBP
 Nashville (AAA) .258 107 426 72 110 23 3 14 51 25 108 5 1 .425 .310

Last Year: Was named Texas League Player of the Year and A's Organizational Player of the Year...spent the entire season at Double-A Midland, hitting .317 with 15 home runs and 86 RBI in 117 games.

10 MARCUS SEMIEN

Current Streak: 2 games (3 for 9)
Houston Series: 2-4, 2b, so
Road Trip: 4-17, r, 2 2b, bb, 2 so

- Was reinstated from the paternity list Friday and is 4-for-17 (.235) in four games since his return...was placed on the PL last Wednesday and missed three games for the birth of his son, Isaiah...that snapped his consecutive games played streak at 126, which was the longest by an Athletic since Miguel Tejada set the Athletics record with a 594-game streak from June 2, 2000-Sept. 28, 2003.
- Is 10-for-49 (.204) with six doubles over his last 12 games.
- Leads American League shortstops and is tied for second in the majors with 23 home runs (Story, COL 27)...is tied for second in the AL with 10 home runs against left-handed pitching (Cruz, SEA 14)...leads the majors with nine home runs batting ninth, which ties the Athletics franchise record (Hernandez, 2000)...ranks fifth in the AL in home runs in the seven inning or later (10).
- Is 15-for-49 (.306) with three home runs, six RBI and eight walks in 14 games against Houston
- Has a season-high 17-game homerless streak.
- Has started games at every spot in the order this year except clean-up.
- Has committed eight errors in his last 40 games after making eight in his first 88 contests...has 16 errors for the season, which is the most among AL shortstops and tied for second most in the majors (Villar, MIL 17).
- Has career highs in home runs (23) and RBI (55)...his 40 walks are two short of his high of 42 from last year.

MOST HOME RUNS, ATHLETICS SHORTSTOP

34	Miguel Tejada, 2002
31	Miguel Tejada, 2001
30	Miguel Tejada, 2000
27	Miguel Tejada, 2003
23	Marcus Semien, 2016
23	Eddie Joost, 1949

Last Year: Batted .257 with 15 home runs and 45 RBI in a team-leading 155 games in his first full season in the majors...committed a Major League leading and Oakland record 35 errors...tied for second among AL shortstops in home runs.

5 JAKE SMOLINSKI

Current Streak: 0 for 11
Houston Series: 0-1, 2 hbp
Road Trip: 0-9, 2 bb, 2 hbp, 2 so, gidp

- Was hit by a pitch twice last night to tie the Oakland record for hit by pitches in a game (34th time, last: Brandon Moss at Houston, April 25, 2014).
- Is 0-for-9 over his last three games after hitting safely in a career-high tying seven consecutive games (9-for-28, .321).
- Is hitting .186 (18-for-97) over his last 28 games after batting .333 over his first 45 contests.
- Is hitting .329 (26-for-79) with five of his seven home runs against left-handed pitchers compared to .225 (29-for-129) against right-handers... has hit 11 of his 16 career home runs off lefties.
- Is 0-for-9 on the road trip and is now batting .202 (19-for-94) on the road compared to .316 (36-for-114) at home.
- Has batted leadoff in three of his last four games and is 2-for-13 (.154) with two walks in those three games...those are his first career starts batting leadoff.

- Has started 36 of the A's 42 games since the All-Star Break (34 in center field, two in right field).
- Is 4-for-11 (.364) with a home run and three RBI as a pinch hitter...is tied for fifth in the American League in pinch hits.
- Was recalled from Triple-A Nashville May 20 for his first stint with the A's this year...hit .248 with 3 HR and 15 RBI in 39 games with the Sounds.

Last Year: Split the season between Triple-A and the majors for both Texas and Oakland...combined to hit .374 with nine home runs and 31 RBI in 37 games between Round Rock and Nashville...appeared in 76 combined Major League games.

26 DANNY VALENCIA

Current Streak: 0 for 3
Houston Series: 0-3, bb, so
Road Trip: 3-11, 2 r, 2b, rbi, 2 bb, hbp, so, cs

- Is 18-for-46 (.391) with eight multiple hit games over his last 13 games and is batting .305 (29-for-95) over his last 28 contests.
- Ranks third in the American League with a .341 (57-for-167) batting average on the road and is sixth with a .343 (36-for-105) average against left-handed pitchers.
- Is hitting .308 (24-for-78) with runners in scoring position.
- Has hit 12 of his 15 home runs on the road.
- Is 6-for-33 (.182) against Houston this year but is a .330 (31-for-94) career hitter against the Astros with seven home runs and 15 RBI in 27 games...the home runs match his most against any team (Tampa Bay)...is 21-for-61 (.344) with five home runs and eight RBI in 18 games at Minute Maid Park.
- Has three assists in 16 games as an outfielder.
- Has started games at four positions since the All-Star Break (16 in right field, 10 at first base, four at designated hitter, one at third base)...made all 66 of his starts on defense before the break at third base.
- Had his streak of six consecutive multiple hit games on the road snapped Friday night in Houston, which tied for the third longest such streak in Oakland history...had a streak of seven consecutive starts with a multiple hit game snapped last Wednesday against Cleveland, which was the longest such streak by an Athletic since Randy Velarde also had a seven-start streak from Aug. 10-17, 1999.

Last Year: Began the season with Toronto and was claimed off waivers by Oakland Aug. 3...hit .284 with 11 HR and 37 RBI in 47 games with the A's...combined for a .290 average, a career-high 18 HR and 66 RBI in 105 games overall.

21 STEPHEN VOGT

Current Streak: 2 games (2 for 7)
Houston Series: 1-4, so
Road Trip: 2-12, r, hr, 4 rbi, hbp, 3 so

- Is batting .180 (18-for-100) over his last 29 games.
- Snapped a 0-for-18 streak with a three-run home run in the third inning Sunday at St. Louis off a left-handed pitcher (Garcia)...each of his first 10 home runs were solo shots off right-handed pitchers.
- Had a season-high four RBI Sunday after driving in six runs over his previous 31 games.
- Is 18-for-46 (.391) with seven doubles, a triple and home run in 12 games against Houston.
- Has six errors, which is an on-going career high and tied for second most among American League catchers (Navarro, CWS 8).
- Has tossed out 5 of the last 10 (50.0%) attempted base stealers and 11-of-51 (21.6%) for the season.
- Has a career-high 23 doubles.
- Was named to his second consecutive AL All-Star team but did not play in the game.

Last Year: Was named to his first AL All-Star team...hit .261 with 18 HR and 71 RBI...hit .308 with 13 HR and 53 RBI over his first 70 games, .214 with 5 HR and 18 RBI over his final 66 contests...led the A's in walks (56) and on-base pct. (.341).

A'S HITTING VS. HOUSTON

2016	CAREER									
AVG.	AB	H	HR	RBI	PLAYER	AVG.	AB	H	HR	RBI
.362	47	17	2	12	Alonso	.322	87	28	3	21
.333	15	5	0	2	Butler	.241	158	38	4	15
.159	44	7	1	3	Crisp	.215	195	42	7	23
.138	58	8	1	3	Davis	.138	58	8	1	3
.333	3	1	0	0	Eibner	.333	3	1	0	0
.231	13	3	0	3	Healy	.231	13	3	0	3
#DIV/0!	0	0	0	0	Maxwell	#DIV/0!	0	0	0	0
.000	2	0	0	0	Muncy	.267	15	4	1	1
#DIV/0!	0	0	0	0	Pinder	#DIV/0!	0	0	0	0
.306	49	15	3	6	Semien	.297	118	35	6	13
.235	17	4	0	0	Smolinski	.288	59	17	1	4
.182	33	6	1	2	Valencia	.330	94	31	7	15
.391	46	18	1	3	Vogt	.252	131	33	3	10
.206	155	32	1	10	others					
.240	479	115	10	44	TOTALS					

A'S CAREER HITTING VS. MCHUGH

PLAYER	BAT	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SH	SF	HBP	GDP	AVG	OBP	SLG
Yonder Alonso	L	8	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	.250	.333	.250
Billy Butler	R	12	4	0	0	1	2	2	3	0	0	0	1	.333	.429	.583
Mark Canha	R	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	.000	.167	.000
Coco Crisp	S	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	.000	.125	.000
Khris Davis	R	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	.167	.167	.167
Sam Fuld	L	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	.200	.200	.600
Jed Lowrie	S	8	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	.375	.500	.375
Josh Phegley	R	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Marcus Semien	R	13	6	2	0	1	3	2	4	0	0	0	0	.462	.533	.846
Jake Smolinski	R	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.200	.200	.400
Eric Sogard	L	6	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	.167	.286	.167
Danny Valencia	R	17	6	2	0	1	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	.353	.389	.647
Stephen Vogt	L	13	3	0	1	0	1	1	6	0	0	0	0	.231	.286	.385

HOME RUN BREAKDOWN

Player	2016 HOME RUNS				Tot.	LAST REGULAR SEASON HOME RUN			
	Solo	2R	3R	GS		Date	Opponent	Pitcher	GP Since
Alonso	1	5	1	0	7	August 26, 2016	at St. Louis	Weaver	3
Butler	3	1	0	0	4	July 30, 2016	at Cleveland	Tomlin	12
Crisp	8	2	0	1	11	August 17, 2016	at Texas	Darvish	7
Davis	20	8	5	1	34	August 28, 2016	at St. Louis	Garcia	1
Eibner	5	0	0	0	5	August 14, 2016	Seattle	Storen	9
Healy	4	1	1	0	6	August 15, 2016	at Texas	Perez	12
Ladendorf	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	32
Maxwell	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	10
Muncy	2	0	0	0	2	August 11, 2016	Baltimore	Ondrusek	13
Phegley	0	0	1	0	1	June 13, 2016	Texas	Wilhelmson	8
Pinder	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	6
Semien	17	4	2	0	23	August 7, 2016	Chicago (NL)	Hendricks	17
Smolinski	2	3	2	0	7	August 17, 2016	at Texas	Darvish	9
Valencia	9	5	1	0	15	August 20, 2016	at Chicago (AL)	Jones	7
Vogt	10	0	1	0	11	August 28, 2016	at St. Louis	Garcia	1
others	12	4	2	0	18				
Team	90	33	16	2	141				

A'S AT A GLANCE

Season High	10-7 (April 22)
Season Low	53-72 (August 22)
April	13-12
May	11-17
June	11-15
July	12-14
August	10-16
September	0-0
Home Series	10-9-2
Road Series	7-13-1
Series Sweeps	5-10
First Game of Series	22-21
Last Game of Series	14-28
A's Score First	39-36
Opponent Scores First	18-38
Leading After 7th	44-5
Leading After 8th	48-4
Tied After 7th	5-3
Tied After 8th	6-4
Trailing After 7th	8-66
Trailing After 8th	3-66
Commit No Errors	34-43
Commit 1 or More Errors	23-31
More HR Than Opp.	32-11
Fewer HR Than Opp.	8-40
Same Total HR of Opp.	17-23
Starter Pitches 7 or More	17-4
Starter Pitches Less Than 7	40-70
When Scoring 4 or More	39-22
When Scoring Less Than 4	18-52
Last At Bat	13-12
Replay Challenges	18-10
Different Lineups	116

MILESTONES

Player	Category	No.	Needs
Alvarez, H	Games	92	8 for 100
	Games Started	92	8 for 100
Butler	Hits	1468	32 for 1500
	Walks	496	4 for 500
Crisp	Games as OF (w/OAK)	665	14 for 679 (ties Armas for 7th in Oakland history)
	Steals (w/OAK)	169	3 for 172 (ties Baker for 9th in Athletics history)
Davis	Doubles	82	18 for 100
	Home Runs	94	6 for 100
Doolittle	Saves	33	11 for 44 (ties Koch and Foulke for 9th in Athletics history)
Gray	Wins	38	12 for 50
	Games	96	4 for 100
	Games Started	94	6 for 100

WALK-OFF WINS (6)

Yonder Alonso, April 29 vs. Houston (home run)
 Khris Davis, May 17 vs. Texas (grand slam)
 Billy Burns, June 17 vs. Los Angeles-AL (single)
 Josh Reddick, July 19 vs. Houston (single)
 Coco Crisp, July 22 vs. Tampa Bay (single)
 Ryon Healy, July 23 vs. Tampa Bay (home run)

DISABLED LIST

Player	Injury	Dates	Games Missed	Player	Injury	Dates	Games Missed
Alvarez, H.	Right shoulder surgery	March 25-present (eligible May 27)	131	Ladendorf	Left wrist sprain	August 17-present (eligible September 1)	11
Alvarez, R.J.	Right elbow surgery	March 25-June 11	61	Lambo	Testicular cancer surgery	July 4-present	49
Bassitt	Strained right elbow	April 29-present	108	Lowrie	Right shin contusion	May 10-May 24	14
Butler	Concussion	August 22-28	6	Lowrie	Bunion on his left foot	August 4-present	24
Canha	Back strain	May 9-present	99	Manaea	Left pronator strain	June 14-28	14
Doolittle	Strained left shoulder	June 26-present (eligible July 11)	57	Parker	Fractured right medial epicondyle	March 13-present	131
Doubront	Sprained left elbow	April 4-present	131	Phegley	Strained right knee	May 10-May 26	15
Fuld	Strained left shoulder	March 25-present	131	Phegley	Strained right knee	July 2-present (eligible August 31)	51
Gray	Strained right trapezius	May 21-June 4	13	Reddick	Fractured left thumb	May 20-June 27	34
Gray	Strained right forearm	August 7-present (eligible August 22)	21	Rodriguez	Strained right shoulder	July 4-present (eligible September 3)	49
Hahn	Strained right shoulder	August 5-present (eligible August 20)	23	Sogard	Cervical strain	March 28-present (eligible May 27)	131
Hendriks	Right triceps strain	May 8-June 18	37	Triggs	Left shin contusion	July 18-August 1	13
Hill	Left groin strain	May 30-July 1	29	Valencia	Strained left hamstring	April 21-May 5	14
Hill	Left middle finger blister	July 20-31	11				

The A's have used the disabled list an Oakland record 27 times this season...used the DL 23 times in 2015

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

June 27	Nick Tepesch claimed off waivers from the Los Angeles Dodgers; Eric Surkamp designated for assignment; Rich Hill sent to Stockton on a rehab assignment	Nashville; Andrew Triggs placed on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to July 18 (left shin contusion)		abled list retroactive to August 4 (bunion on his left foot); Jesse Hahn placed on the 15-day disabled list (strained right shoulder)	
June 28	Josh Reddick reinstated from the disabled list; Max Muncy optioned to Nashville	July 20	Arismendy Alcantara recalled from Nashville; Dillon Overton optioned to Nashville	Aug. 6	Patrick Schuster recalled from Nashville; Dillon Overton optioned to Nashville
June 29	Eric Surkamp claimed off waivers by Texas; Sean Manaea reinstated from the disabled list; Arismendy Alcantara and Nick Tepesch optioned to Nashville	July 21	Zach Neal recalled from Nashville; Patrick Schuster optioned to Nashville	Aug. 7	Chris Smith selected from Nashville; Sonny Gray placed on the 15-day disabled list (strained right forearm); Josh Phegley transferred to the 60-day DL
June 30	Daniel Coulombe and Andrew Triggs recalled from Nashville; Sean Doolittle placed on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to June 26 (strained left shoulder; Zach Neal optioned to Nashville)	July 23	Bruce Maxwell selected from Nashville; Stephen Vogt placed on family medical leave list; Fernando Rodriguez transferred to the 60-day disabled list	Aug. 10	Ross Detwiler selected from Nashville; Patrick Schuster designated for assignment
July 1	Tyler Ladendorf recalled from Nashville; Dillon Overton optioned to Nashville	July 24	Jesse Hahn recalled from Nashville; Arismendy Alcantara optioned to Nashville	Aug. 12	Patrick Schuster claimed off waivers by Philadelphia
July 2	Rich Hill reinstated from the disabled list; Andrew Triggs optioned to Nashville	July 25	Max Muncy recalled from Nashville; Jesse Hahn optioned to Nashville	Aug. 15	Sean Doolittle sent to Nashville on a rehab assignment
July 3	Josh Phegley placed on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to July 2 (strained right knee); Matt McBride recalled from Nashville	July 26	Stephen Vogt reinstated from the family medical leave list; J.B. Wendelken recalled from Nashville; Matt McBride and Daniel Mengden optioned to Nashville; Andrew Triggs sent to Nashville on a rehab assignment	Aug. 16	Jesse Hahn sent to Nashville on a rehab assignment
July 4	Andrew Triggs recalled from Nashville; Patrick Schuster selected from Nashville; Daniel Coulombe optioned to Nashville; Fernando Rodriguez placed on the 15-day disabled list (right shoulder strain); Andrew Lambo recalled from Nashville and placed on the 60-day disabled list (cancer surgery)	July 30	Dillon Overton recalled from Nashville; Rich Hill placed on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to July 20 (left middle finger blister); Billy Burns traded to the Kansas City Royals for Brett Eibner	Aug. 17	Chad Pinder selected from Nashville; Tyler Ladendorf placed on the 15-day disabled list (sprained left wrist); Jed Lowrie transferred to the 60-day DL
July 15	Ryon Healy selected from Nashville; Billy Burns optioned to Nashville; Nick Tepesch designated for assignment	Aug. 1	Rich Hill and Josh Reddick traded to the Los Angeles Dodgers for Jharel Cotton, Frankie Montas and minor leaguer Grant Holmes	Aug. 22	Billy Butler placed on the 7-day concussion disabled list; Arismendy Alcantara recalled from Nashville
July 18	Nick Tepesch claimed off waivers by Kansas City	Aug. 2	Tyler Ladendorf recalled from Nashville; Andrew Triggs reinstated from the disabled list; J.B. Wendelken optioned to Nashville	Aug. 24	Marcus Semien placed on paternity list; J.B. Wendelken recalled from Nashville.
July 19	Daniel Coulombe and Dillon Overton recalled from Nashville; Tyler Ladendorf optioned to	Aug. 4	Jesse Hahn recalled from Nashville; Andrew Triggs optioned to Nashville	Aug. 25	Marc Rzepczynski and cash traded to Washington for minor leaguer Max Schrock
		Aug. 5	Brett Eibner and Andrew Triggs recalled from Nashville; Jed Lowrie placed on the 15-day dis-	Aug. 26	Marcus Semien reinstated from the paternity list
				Aug. 29	Billy Butler reinstated from the 7-day concussion disabled list; Arismendy Alcantara optioned to Stockton

