



# OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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### OAKLAND ATHLETICS (10-6) VS. CLEVELAND INDIANS (8-10-1)

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2017 – GOODYEAR BALLPARK – 1:05 P.M. MST  
A'S WEBCAST

**ABOUT THE A'S:** Have lost two straight after winning six in a row...are 8-3 over the last 11 games and 10-6 (.625) overall...have the best record in the Cactus League and fourth best in the majors...have scored 65 runs over the last seven CL games (9.3 per game) after tallying 37 runs over the first nine contests (4.1 per game)...however, have allowed 66 runs in the last nine games (64 er in 80.0 ip, 7.20 ERA) after yielding 24 over the first seven contests (3.25 ERA)...have committed 13 errors, which is second fewest in the CL (Arizona, 11)...are 6-3 at Hohokam and 4-3 on the road...this is the A's 49th Spring Training in Arizona, their third since returning to Mesa in 2015 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 34 games this spring plus an exhibition game against Italy's World Baseball Classic club...the total includes 31 games in Arizona and three in the Bay Area against the Giants (March 30-April 1)...the A's went 12-17-3 (.422) last spring, which was the fifth worst record in the Cactus League...it marked the first time the A's finished Spring Training with a losing record since 2011 when they went 12-21-1...committed 45 errors, which was six more than any other team (39, Chicago-NL)...they were the most by an A's team since at least 2000...the pitching staff issued 125 walks, which was the most among CL teams and second most in the majors to Boston (129)...the walks were the most by an A's team during the spring since at least 1990...compiled a 6.10 ERA, which was third highest in the majors to San Diego (6.89) and San Francisco (6.37)...the ERA was second highest by an A's team during the spring since at least 1990 (6.22 in 1999).

**YESTERDAY:** The A's had the day off...on Tuesday, Oakland dropped a 4-3 decision to Colorado at Mesa...Sean Manaea started for the A's and shutout the Rockies on seven hits in 3.2 innings...however, Oakland was blanked on one hit over the first four innings...the A's scored all of their runs in the fifth inning on RBI singles by Josh Phegley and Jed Lowrie and a sacrifice fly by Matt Joyce...Simon Castro (0.1 ip), Ryan Madson (1.0 ip), Sean Doolittle (1.0 ip) and John Axford (1.0 ip) followed Manaea with scoreless relief and the A's took a 3-0 lead into the ninth inning...Daniel Coulombe, who retired the side in order in the eighth, allowed a two-run home run in the ninth and was relieved by Kyle Finnegan with runners on first and second and one out...Finnegan allowed both runs to score, handing Coulombe the loss.

**A's vs. INDIANS:** This is the third and final meeting between the A's and Indians this spring...the first two games were played in Mesa, with the A's winning 5-4 on February 28 and losing 15-5 on March 4...the A's lost both games last year, dropping a 10-8 decision at Goodyear on March 18 and a 6-4 game in Mesa on March 28.

**PLAYER NOTES:** **Yonder Alonso** is tied for fourth in the Cactus League in walks (7)...has reached base safely in each of his last seven games (7-for-13, four walks) after going 1-for-6 (.167) with three walks over his first four contests...**Franklin Barreto** is 4-for-6 (.667) over his last four games and 10-for-21 (.476) in 14 games overall...has appeared in nine games at shortstop and six at second base...**Mark Canha** has appeared in four games in right field, three in left field and one in center field...**Matt Chapman (NR)** is 4-for-9 (.444) with four walks, four runs scored and five RBI over his last seven games...**Khris Davis** had his first two-hit game last Saturday against Texas and is 3-for-8 (.375) with two doubles over his last three games after going 2-for-15 (.133) over his first six contests...**Ryon Healy** has driven in at least one run in six of his nine games and is tied for fourth in the CL in RBI (10)...is 6-for-17 (.353) over his last six games after going 1-for-8 (.125) over his first three contests...went 3-for-3 with a double, home run and three RBI last Saturday against Texas...has appeared in four games at designated hitter, three at first base and two at third base...**Matt Joyce** has reached base safely in eight of his nine games and is tied for the CL lead in walks (8)...**Jed Lowrie** has driven in a run in each of his last three games (3 RBI total)...went 3-for-4 a week ago today against Cincinnati...**Matt Olson** has four hits this spring, all for extra bases (one double, one triple, two home runs)...**Chris Parmelee (NR)** is 4-for-5 (.800) over his last four games after starting the spring 1-for-14 (.071)...**Josh Phegley** is 3-for-9 (.333) over his last four games after going 0-for-5 over his first three contests...**Trevor Plouffe** went 0-for-3 Monday at Cincinnati to snap his six-game hitting streak (8-for-14, .571)...**Adam Rosales** has appeared in six games at shortstop and two at second base...**Marcus Semien** is 6-for-13 (.462) over his last five games after going 3-for-15 (.200) over his first five contests...is tied for eighth in the CL in RBI (9).

**IN CAMP:** The A's have 48 players in camp...the total includes 35 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and 13 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 22 pitchers, six catchers, 12 infielders and eight outfield-

ers...began the spring with 70 players in camp, which were the A's most players in camp since 1982 when they had 78 (35 roster, 43 non-roster).

**WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC:** Non-roster invitee Cesar Valdez made his first appearance of the WBC last Sunday for the Dominican Republic in a 10-3 win over Colombia (1.2 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb)...the Dominican Republic has advanced to Pool F play at San Diego and plays against Venezuela tonight at 7:00 MST...non-roster invitee Ryan Lavanway started all six games for Israel in the World Baseball Classic and hit .444 (8-for-18) with five walks, two doubles, one home run and six RBI...he is tied for seventh in the WBC in hits and RBI...he earned Pool A MVP honors after going 5-for-9 (.556) with four walks, a home run and three RBI in three games in Seoul...minor leaguer Joey Wagman also pitched for Israel and made one appearance against the Kingdom of the Netherlands (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb)...minor leaguer Jake Sanchez pitched twice for Mexico (2.0 ip, 2 h, 1 bb, 1 so).

**CONTRACT STATUS:** The A's have four players under contract beyond the 2017 season...Santiago Casilla, Sean Doolittle, Matt Joyce and Ryan Madson are signed through 2018 with the A's holding club options on Doolittle for 2019 and 2020...Jed Lowrie has a club option for 2018.

**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 daily 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 also will open to media during games for 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 on the field 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 be asked 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...the A's provide complimentary parking to members of the media in the Center Street Lot (Lot D), located behind home plate and to the right as you enter the parking lot at the home plate entrance.

**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 has seven remaining broadcasts this spring, including three games against San Francisco in the Bay Area...the schedule includes all remaining Saturday and Sunday games, plus the March 30 and 31 games at San Francisco (31st on 102.9 FM KBLX)...Ken Korach returns for his 22nd year in the broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (12th) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 32nd season in the booth...Comcast SportsNet California has one remaining broadcast on April 1 against the Giants in Oakland (12:05 pm)...Glen Kuiper joins Fosse in the broadcast booth for that telecast...all games not broadcast over the air can be heard live via the club's web site...in addition, five remaining games will be televised by MLB Network...two of those will air in the Bay Area, including: Mar. 21 at Seattle (10:00 PM PDT) and Mar. 24 vs. Chicago-AL (Mar. 25 at 6:00 AM PDT).

#### TRANSACTIONS

March 5	Michael Brady, Trey Cochran-Gill, Heath Fillmyer, Tucker Healy, Aaron Kurcz, A.J. Puk and Josh Smith reassigned to minor league camp
March 12	Renato Nuñez optioned to Nashville; Jermaine Curtis, Felix Doubront, Andrew Lambo, Richie Martin, Max Muncy, Zach Neal, Rangel Ravelo, Josh Rodriguez, Tyler Sturdevant and Kenny Wilson reassigned to minor league camp
March 13	Paul Blackburn, Jaycob Brugman, Yairo Muñoz and Bobby Wahl optioned to Nashville

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