



OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (10-8) VS. SAN DIEGO PADRES (7-12)

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2017 – HOHOKAM PARK – 1:05 P.M. MST
A'S RADIO NETWORK (95.7 FM THE GAME)

ABOUT THE A'S: Have lost four straight after winning six in a row...are now 10-8 (.556), which is the second best record in the Cactus League to Seattle (14-8, .636)...each of the A's last three losses have been by one run and six of Oakland's eight losses for the spring have been by two runs or fewer...are 6-4 at Hohokam and 4-4 on the road...have committed 14 errors, which is the fewest in the CL and tied for fifth fewest in the majors...last spring, the A's committed 45 errors, which was six more than any other team (39, Chicago-NL)...rank fourth in walks (78) but have the second fewest stolen bases (9)...the pitching staff has allowed the second fewest home runs (17) and issued the fourth fewest walks (67)...last spring, the A's issued 125 walks, which was the most among CL teams, second most in the majors to Boston (129) and the most by an A's team during the spring since at least 1990...the A's have the fifth highest ERA in the CL this year (5.41)...Oakland has scored 11 runs in the last four games after tallying at least eight runs in each of the previous five contests...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.

YESTERDAY: The A's lost to Arizona here at Hohokam, 3-2...Raul Alcantara started for Oakland and allowed two runs in the first inning for the loss...those were the only two runs he would allow in 3.1 innings (4 h, 2 bb, 1 so)...John Axford allowed a run in 1.1 innings but Sam Bragg (0.1 ip), Ryan Madson (1.0 ip), Santiago Casilla (1.0 ip), Sean Doolittle (1.0 ip) and Simon Castro (1.0 ip) closed out the game with scoreless relief...Ryon Healy homered to lead off the fourth inning to get the A's on the board and pinch runner Adam Rosales scored on a Khris Davis ground out in the sixth to complete the A's scoring...Healy, Jed Lowrie and Alejandro De Aza had two hits each.

A's vs. PADRES: This is the second and final meeting between the A's and Padres this spring...Oakland lost the first game at Peoria on March 1, 5-0...have faced the Padres just once in each of the previous three springs, including a 6-5 A's win at Peoria last year on March 6...the A's have won 10 of their last 15 spring games against the Padres.

PLAYER NOTES: **Yonder Alonso** is tied for sixth in the Cactus League in walks (7)...is 7-for-16 (.438) with four walks over his last eight games after going 1-for-6 (.167) with three walks over his first four contests...is batting .347 (25-for-72) over the last two springs...**Mark Canha** has appeared in five games in right field, three in left field and one in center field...**Matt Chapman (NR)** is 5-for-12 (.417) with four walks and five RBI over his last nine games...**Rajai Davis** stole his third base of the spring Thursday at Cleveland, which is tied for ninth in the CL...**Alejandro De Aza (NR)** had his first two hit game yesterday against Arizona after going 0-for-11 over his previous five contests...**Ryon Healy** has driven in at least one run in eight of his 11 games and has 13 RBI, which is tied for the CL lead (Blash, SD)...has homered in back-to-back games and has four for the spring, which is tied for third in the CL...is tied for second in the CL in slugging (.806)...went 3-for-3 with a double, home run and three RBI a week ago today against Texas...has appeared in four games at designated hitter, four at first base and three at third base...**Matt Joyce** is tied for the CL lead in walks (8)...**Jed Lowrie** is 6-for-12 (.500) over his last four games after going 2-for-10 (.200) over his first five contests...is batting .368 (25-for-68) over the last two springs...**Chris Parmelee (NR)** is 4-for-7 (.571) over his last six games after starting the spring 1-for-14 (.071)...**Trevor Plouffe** has hit safely in seven of his last eight games (9-for-20, .450)...**Adam Rosales** has appeared in seven games at shortstop and three at second base...**Marcus Semien** is 6-for-15 (.400) over his last five games after going 3-for-15 (.200) over his first five contests.

IN CAMP: The A's have 45 players in camp...the total includes 32 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and 13 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 22 pitchers, six catchers, 10 infielders and seven outfielders...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 Team USA tonight at 7:00 MST...non-roster invitee Ryan Lavarney 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 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
March 17	Franklin Barreto, Matt Olson and Chad Pinder optioned to Nashville

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TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHER

#49 KENDALL GRAVEMAN RHP (1-1, 4.05 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth start of Cactus League play...allowed three runs in his last start on Monday against Cincinnati for the loss after allowing no runs over his first two starts (3.0 ip)...also started the exhibition game against Italy's World Baseball Classic team on March 8 and picked up the win (3.0 ip, 1 h, 1 bb, 3 so)...compiled a 10-11 record and a 4.11 ERA in a team-leading 31 starts in his second season with the A's last year...went 1-6 with a 5.36 ERA over his first nine starts, 9-2 with a 3.33 ERA over his next 16 starts from May 30 to Aug. 24, and 0-3 with a 4.71 ERA over his final six starts...in addition to starts, he also led the A's in wins and innings pitched (186.0)...averaged 5.23 strikeouts per nine innings, which was the third lowest mark in the American League...walked just 47 (2.27 per nine innings), which were the fewest in Athletics history by an A's team-leader, besting the previous low of 59 by Sonny Gray in 2015...averaged 4.16 runs of support per start, which was 10th lowest in the AL...received two runs of support or fewer in 12 of his 31 starts and was 0-8 in those games...went 10-3 in 19 starts with support of three or more...left with a lead five times in 2016 only to have the bullpen blow the save...had a .271 opponents batting average, which broke down to .270 against right-handed hitters compared to .272 against left-handers.

GRAVEMAN'S 2017 SPRING TRAINING STARTS

Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 27	at San Francisco	5-4	-	0.00	1.0	1	0	0	1	1	0
March 3	San Francisco	6-1	W	0.00	2.0	1	0	0	1	1	0
*March 8	Italy (WBC)	7-0	W		3.0	1	0	0	1	3	0
March 13	at Cincinnati	1-3	L	4.05	3.2	4	3	3	1	1	1
Totals (3 games, 3 starts)				1-1	4.05	6.2	6	3	3	3	1

*exhibition game (does not count in stats)

#35 DANIEL COULOMBE LHP (0-2, 12.71 ERA)

Has allowed at least one run in each of his five appearances, including his last outing Tuesday against Colorado when he took the loss (1.1 ip, 1 h, 4 r, 4 er, 2 bb, 1 so, 1 hr)...opponents are 11-for-26 (.423)...was 3-1 with a 4.53 ERA and .216 opponents batting average in 35 games over five stints with the A's last year...struck out 54 batters in 47.2 innings (10.20 per nine innings)...his opponents average included a .208 mark by right-handed hitters compared to .227 by left-handers...allowed five of his six home runs and issued 14 of his 17 walks to righties...had a .557 OPS against lefties, .692 against righties...first batters faced hit .156 with two walks (.200 on-base percentage) and a double (.188 slugging percentage)...allowed 3-of-12 (25.0%) inherited runners to score...had a .255 opponents average over his first 15 pitches in a game, .148 after that...had no decisions, a 1.08 ERA and .200 opponents batting average in 20 relief appearances for Triple-A Nashville...did not allow a home run in 25.0 innings and struck out 35 (12.6 per nine innings)...allowed a .179 batting average against left-handed hitters compared to .216 against right-handers...opponents hit .111 with runners in scoring position.

#66 RYAN DULL RHP (1-0, 2.70 ERA)

Has not allowed a run or a hit in three of his four appearances, including his last outing Monday at Cincinnati when he retired the only batter he faced in the fourth inning (0.1 ip, 1 so)...opponents are 2-for-12 (.167)...compiled a 2.42 ERA and .186 opponents batting average in 70 relief appearances in his rookie campaign last year...led American League rookies and tied for ninth among all AL pitchers in games pitched...fell one short of the Oakland rookie record for games pitched...his ERA was fifth best in Oakland history by a rookie with 70 or more innings pitched...also ranked second among AL rookies in saves (3), ninth in innings (74.1) and strikeouts (73) and tied for ninth in wins (5)...ranked third among all AL relievers in opponents on-base percentage (.228), tied for sixth in innings and seventh in opponents batting average...struck out 73 and walked just 15 for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 4.87...averaged 1.82 walks per nine innings...allowed 7-of-52 (13.5%) inherited runners to score, which was the third lowest percentage in the AL...first batters faced hit .121 with two walks (.143 on-base percentage)...ranked second in the AL in first batter on-base percentage and OPS (.355), third in batting average and fourth in slugging percentage (.212).

#72 FRANKIE MONTAS RHP (1-0, 2.25 ERA)

Allowed his first runs of the spring in his second Cactus League outing last Sunday against Chicago (NL) but picked up the win (2.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 3 so)...also pitched against Italy on March 8 (2.0 ip, 3 h, 3 so)...was one of three players acquired by the A's from Los Angeles in the 2016 trading deadline deal that sent Rich Hill and Josh Reddick to the Dodgers, but missed nearly the entire season due to rib cage injuries...began the year on the Dodgers 60-day disabled list with a fractured right rib cage, an injury suffered during the offseason...was sent to Double-A Tulsa on a rehab assignment May 22 and logged a 1.93 ERA in three games, including one start...was transferred to Triple-A Oklahoma City May 30 and made three additional rehab appearances before he was reinstated from the DL and optioned to Oklahoma City June 12...made one more appearance before going on the Triple-A DL June 19 with an inflamed right rib cage...missed the remainder of the season...logged a 2.38 ERA in four games (three starts) with Oklahoma City and was 0-0 with a 2.25 ERA in seven games (four starts) overall...struck out 22 batters in 16.0 innings (12.38 per nine innings) and walked just three (1.69 per nine innings).

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 18 vs. San Diego

A's: RHP Kendall Graveman, RHP Frankie Montas, RHP Ryan Dull, LHP Daniel Coulombe
Padres: RHP Luis Perdomo, RHP Zach Lee

March 19 at Colorado

A's: RHP Jesse Hahn, RHP Chris Smith, RHP Liam Hendriks, RHP Santiago Casilla
Rockies: RHP Jon Gray, RHP Adam Ottavino, RHP Scott Oberg, LHP Mike Dunn

March 20 vs. Arizona

A's: LHP Sean Manaea, LHP Sean Doolittle, LHP Ross Detwiler, RHP Ryan Madson, RHP Simon Castro
Diamondbacks: TBA

2017 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.
Feb. 25	at Chicago (NL)	L, 3-4	0-1	Berg	C.Smith	14,929		March 16	at Cleveland	L, 5-6	10-7	McAllister	Triggs	6,314	
Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL)	L, 3-5	0-2	Miller	Kurcz	4,072	4,072	March 17	Arizona	L, 2-3	10-8	Bradley	Alcantara	8,210	60,694
Feb. 27	at San Francisco	W, 5-4	1-2	Castro	Suarez	7,385		DATE OPPONENT		TIME RADIO/TV					
Feb. 28	Cleveland	W, 5-4	2-2	J.Smith	Russell	3,108	7,180	March 18	San Diego	1:05	95.7 FM	The Game/A's	Radio Network		
March 1	at San Diego	L, 0-5	2-3	Bawcom	Coulombe	1,864		March 19	at Colorado	1:05	95.7 FM	The Game/A's	Radio Network		
March 2	Texas	W, 5-1	3-3	Hahn	Hauschild	3,326	10,506	March 20	Arizona	7:05					
March 3	San Francisco	W, 6-1	4-3	Graveman	Samardzija	8,203	18,709	March 21	at Seattle	7:10	MLBN				
March 4	Cleveland	L, 5-15	4-4	Clevinger	Manaea	6,707	25,416	March 22	at Chicago (AL)	1:05					
March 5	at Seattle	W, 5-4	5-4	Detwiler	DeJong	6,639		March 23	Milwaukee	1:05					
March 6	OFF DAY							March 24	Chicago (AL)	1:05	MLBN				
March 7	at Arizona	W, 21-13	6-4	Dull	Bradley	8,208		March 25	Cincinnati	1:05	95.7 FM	The Game/A's	Radio Network		
March 8	Italy (WBC) (exhib.)	W, 7-0		Graveman	Oberto	3,204			at Los Angeles (NL)	1:05					
March 9	Cincinnati	W, 12-5	7-4	Manaea	Adelman	4,779	30,195	March 26	at Milwaukee	1:05	95.7 FM	The Game/A's	Radio Network		
March 10	at Kansas City	W, 11-7	8-4	Cotton	Hammel	6,507		March 27	Kansas City	1:05					
March 11	Texas	W, 8-7	9-4	Shore	Wolff	6,072	36,267	March 28	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:05					
March 12	Chicago (NL)	W, 9-8	10-4	Montas	Pugliese	10,606*	46,873	March 29	at Chicago (NL)	1:05					
March 13	at Cincinnati	L, 1-3	10-5	Garrett	Graveman	3,075		March 30	at San Francisco	7:15	95.7 FM	The Game/A's	Radio Network		
March 14	Colorado	L, 3-4	10-6	Estevez	Coulombe	5,611	52,484	March 31	at San Francisco	7:15	102.9 FM	KBLX/A's	Radio Network		
March 15	OFF DAY							April 1	San Francisco (at Oak)	12:05	CSNCA/95.7 FM	The Game/A's	Radio Network		