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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (16-15) VS. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS (16-16)

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2017 – AT&T PARK – 7:15 P.M. PDT
A'S RADIO NETWORK (95.7 FM THE GAME)

ABOUT THE A'S: Have lost three straight and five of the last six games and are 16-15 (.516), which is the fourth best record in the Cactus League... need one more win to avoid a losing record for the second consecutive spring...went 12-17-3 (.422) last spring, which was the fifth worst record in the CL...have allowed 10 or more runs in five of the last six games and have surrendered 62 runs total over that span (56 er in 51.0 ip, 9.88 ERA)...have a 6.11 ERA overall, which is second highest in the majors to Cincinnati (6.13)...logged a 6.10 ERA last spring, which was second highest by an A's team during the spring since at least 1990 (6.22 in 1999)... have surrendered just 34 home runs, which is fifth fewest in the CL...have issued the fourth most walks (115) and have the second fewest strikeouts (229)...the offense ranks third in the CL in on-base percentage (.362) and walks (129), fourth in slugging (.473) and tied for fourth in triples (11)... however, are tied for the fewest stolen bases (13) and have the fifth most strikeouts (269)...the strikeouts are the most by an A's team during the spring since at least 1990...have turned just 22 double plays, which is the fewest in the CL and third fewest in the majors...went 9-7 at Hohokam and are 7-8 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).

YESTERDAY: The A's lost to the Cubs at Sloan Park, 15-11...Santiago Casilla started for Oakland on a bullpen day and allowed five runs in the first inning (0.1 ip, 2 h, 5 r, 5 er, 2 bb)...Sean Doolittle allowed a run in the second and Ryan Madson yielded a run in the third...Marcus Semien hit a two-run home run in the third inning and the A's sent 12 men to the plate in the fourth inning, scoring eight times...Richie Martin had a two-run single, Andrew Lambo a three-run home run and Matt McBride a solo shot to highlight the scoring and give Oakland a 10-7 lead...Daulton Jefferies then allowed six runs in 2.2 innings and took the loss...Oakland collected 15 hits, including two each by Lambo, McBride and Yonder Alonso.

A's vs. GIANTS: This is the third of five meetings between the A's and Giants this spring...Oakland won the first game at Scottsdale on Feb. 27 by a score of 5-4, and the second game in Mesa on March 3, 6-1...the A's now have a nine-game winning streak against San Francisco in Arizona (five at Scottsdale, four at Mesa)...the two clubs meet again here tomorrow night and square off in Oakland Saturday at 12:05...the A's went 4-2 last spring, winning one game in Mesa, two in Scottsdale and one in Oakland...the two losses came in San Francisco...Oakland is now 19-6 over its last 25 spring games against the Giants.

PLAYER NOTES: **Yonder Alonso** is 17-for-42 (.405) with four home runs and 12 RBI over his last 17 games...ranks fourth in the Cactus League in on-base percentage (.492), tied for fifth in walks (11), tied for sixth in batting (.375) and tied for seventh in slugging (.667)...homered twice a week ago today against Milwaukee...is batting .357 (35-for-98) over the last two springs...**Mark Canha** is 3-for-20 (.150) over his last seven games...has played center field in seven of his last eight games and eight times overall...also has six games in right field and three in left field...**Matt Chapman (NR)** is 4-for-12 (.333) with a double, two home runs and four RBI over his last four games...is tied for fourth in the CL in triples (2)...**Khris Davis** is 7-for-21 (.333) over his last seven games after going 2-for-15 (.133) over his first six contests...has not played since March 22...**Rajai Davis** has hit safely in each of his last eight games (9-for-25, .360) after going 5-for-24 (.208) over his first nine contests...has four stolen bases in his last seven games and six for the spring, which is tied for second in the CL...**Jaff Decker (NR)** is 2-for-6 (.333) with a double and two walks in three games over the last three days...prior to that, had not played since March 17 (oblique)...has appeared in nine games in center field, nine in left field and two in right field...**Ryon Healy** is 1-for-17 over his last six games...has 16 RBI, which are tied for fourth in the CL and are the most by an Athletic during the spring since 2010 when Kevin Kouzmanoff also had 16...is also tied for seventh in the CL in home runs (5)...has appeared in eight games at first base, six at third base and six at designated hitter...**Matt Joyce** walked three times last Sunday against Cincinnati and now has 14 walks for the spring, which is tied for the CL lead (DeShields, TEX)...those are the most walks by an Athletic during the spring since Daric Barton had 22 in 2010...is 3-for-23 (.130) with eight walks over his last 10 games...**Andrew Lambo (minors)** was originally a non-roster invitee before being reassigned to minor league camp March 12...had two hits yesterday at Chicago (NL), including a three-run home run...**Ryan Lavarnway (NR)** is 6-for-15 (.400) in 11 games since returning from the World Baseball

Classic...started all six games for Israel in the WBC and hit .444 (8-for-18) with five walks, two doubles, one home run and six RBI...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...**Jed Lowrie** is 11-for-33 (.333) over his last 11 games after going 2-for-10 (.200) over his first five contests...**Richie Martin (minors)** was originally a non-roster invitee before being reassigned to minor league camp March 12...is 8-for-17 (.471) over his last eight games...**Matt McBride (minors)** was originally a non-roster invitee before being reassigned to minor league camp March 19...went 2-for-3 with his first home run yesterday at Chicago (NL) after going 1-for-9 (.111) over his first seven games...**Chris Parmelee (NR)** is 8-for-20 (.400) with five walks, four doubles and six RBI over his last eight games after going 0-for-4 over his previous five contests...has appeared in 14 games in right field, six at first base and three in left field...**Josh Phegley** is 6-for-19 (.316) over his last six games after going 3-for-19 (.158) over his first nine contests...**Trevor Plouffe** has four straight multiple hit games and is 8-for-11 (.727) with six runs scored and five RBI over that span...is batting .402 (37-for-92) with six home runs and 25 RBI in 33 games over the last two springs...**Adam Rosales** is 2-for-14 (.143) with eight strikeouts over his last five games and is batting .209 overall...has appeared in 12 games at shortstop and six at second base...**Max Schrock (minors)** was originally a non-roster invitee before being reassigned to minor league camp March 19...is 8-for-19 (.421) over his last eight games after going 2-for-10 (.200) over his first 11 contests...**Marcus Semien** is 3-for-22 (.136) over his last nine games after hitting safely in each of his previous four contests (6-for-11, .545)...**J.P. Sportman (minors)** is 2-for-8 (.250) in seven games this spring as an extra from the minor league camp...**Stephen Vogt** is 0-for-6 over his last three games after going 8-for-24 (.333) with six doubles over his previous eight contests.

IN CAMP: The A's have 36 players in camp, which includes five players likely to start the year on the DL (Bassitt, Gray, Mengden, Smolinski, Wendle)...the total includes 30 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and six non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 18 pitchers, three catchers, nine infielders and six 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).

OPENING DAY NOTES: The A's will open their 50th season in Oakland on Monday, April 3 against Los Angeles (AL)...first pitch is at 7:05...have lost 11 of their last 12 openers and are 5-18 in the first game of the season dating back to 1994...will face the Angels to start the season for the fifth time in Oakland history...are 2-2 in the previous four meetings, including a 3-2 win in the only game in Oakland on April 6, 1982...last faced the Angels on Opening Day on April 6, 2009 at Anaheim, a 3-0 loss.

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 will broadcast all three games against the Giants...tonight and Saturday will air on 95.7 FM The Game and Friday will air 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...CSN California has one remaining broadcast on Saturday in Oakland (12:05 pm)...Glen Kuiper joins Fosse in the broadcast booth for that telecast.

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
March 19	Daniel Gossett, Matt McBride, Sean Murphy, Max Schrock and Chris Smith reassigned to minor league camp
March 26	Jesse Hahn and Bruce Maxwell optioned to Nashville; Ross Detwiler opts out of his minor league contract
March 27	Alejandro De Aza released

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TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHER

#55 SEAN MANAEA LHP (1-1, 4.74 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his seventh appearance and sixth start of the spring...walked five batters in his last start (3.0 ip) after walking five total over his first five games (16.0 ip)...has allowed one run or fewer in four of his six appearances...made his Major League debut with the A's last year following an April 29 promotion and went 7-9 with a 3.86 ERA in 25 games, including 24 starts...ranked second among American League rookies in strikeouts (124), innings pitched (144.2) and games started and tied for fifth in wins...the strikeouts tied for sixth most in Oakland history by a rookie...allowed a .248 opponents batting average and walked 37 batters for a .298 on-base percentage...was 2-4 with a 6.02 ERA and .282 opponents batting average in nine starts when he was placed on the 15-day disabled list June 14 with a left pronator strain...was reinstated June 29 and went 5-5 with a 2.74 ERA and .229 opponents batting average in 16 games, 15 starts, following his return...his ERA following his return from the DL was fifth lowest in the AL...his opponents batting average included .180 against left-handed hitters compared to .263 against right-handers...based on a minimum of 140 innings pitched, the mark against lefties was second lowest in the AL.

MANAEA'S 2017 SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
*Feb. 27	at San Francisco	5-4	-	0.00	2.0	0	0	0	1	2	0
March 4	Cleveland	5-15	L	9.82	1.2	5	5	4	1	2	0
March 9	Cincinnati	12-5	W	6.14	3.2	3	1	1	1	3	1
March 14	Colorado	3-4	-	4.09	3.2	7	0	0	1	2	0
March 20	Arizona	6-10	-	2.81	5.0	3	1	0	1	5	0
March 25	Cincinnati	6-11	-	4.74	3.0	5	6	5	5	1	0
Totals (6 games, 5 starts)				1-1	4.74	19.0	23	13	10	10	1

*indicates relief appearance

#61 JOHN AXFORD RHP (0-0, 4.05 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in five of his seven appearances, including his last outing Monday against Kansas City (0.1 ip, 1 so)...opponents are 9-for-25 (.360) with five walks in 6.2 innings...went 6-4 with three saves and a 3.97 ERA in 68 relief appearances in his first season with the A's last year...struck out 60 batters in 65.2 innings and his average of 8.22 strikeouts per nine innings was the lowest mark of his career...had a 2.70 ERA over his first 26 games and a 2.19 ERA over his final 24 but logged a 9.42 ERA in 18 games in between (June 15 to July 25)...tied for second among American League relievers in blown saves (7), but only one came in the ninth inning or later...tied for fourth in most walks (30) and has now issued 215 free passes since the start of the 2010 season, which are the most in the majors by a reliever...tied for seventh among AL relievers in 2016 in wins (6)...allowed 8-of-16 (50.0%) inherited runners to score...first batters faced hit .281 but he issued just three walks (.324 on-base percentage) and allowed just two doubles (.313 slugging percentage)...opponents hit .258, including .256 (30-for-117) by left-handed hitters and .259 (35-for-135) by right-handers.

#35 DANIEL COULOMBE LHP (0-2, 5.54 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in his last three outings (7.1 ip, 2 h, 1 bb, 4 so) after surrendering at least one run in each of his first five appearances (12.71 ERA)...last pitched on Monday against Kansas City (3.0 ip, 1 h, 1 bb)...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.

#31 LIAM HENDRIKS RHP (0-0, 6.14 ERA)

Did not allow an earned run over his first six Cactus League appearances (6.1 ip)...then allowed five runs in his last outing on Tuesday at Los Angeles-AL (1.0 ip, 6 h, 5 r, 5 er, 1 so)...also faced Italy in an exhibition game March 8 and retired the side in order (1.0 ip, 1 so)...compiled a 3.76 ERA and .270 opponents batting average in 53 relief appearances in his first season with the A's last year...had an 8.27 ERA and .394 opponents batting average in 11 games before going on the disabled list in early May with a strained right triceps...logged a 2.23 ERA and .222 opponents batting average in 42 games following his return from the DL...struck out 71 batters in 64.2 innings for the second consecutive season and matched his career high in strikeouts...has an average of 9.88 strikeouts per nine innings over his last two seasons after posting a mark of 5.87 over his first four seasons...walked just 14 (1.95 per nine innings) for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 5.07...posted a 0-4 record after going 5-0 in 2015...allowed just 5-of-34 (14.7%) inherited runners to score, which was the fourth lowest mark in the AL...first batters faced hit .231 with one walk (.245 on-base percentage)...his opponents batting average included a .228 mark against left-handed hitters compared to .297 against right-handers.

#72 FRANKIE MONTAS RHP (1-0, 2 SV, 0.90 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in four of his five Cactus League appearances, including his last outing Sunday at Milwaukee (2.0 ip, 1 h, 1 bb, 2 so)...opponents are 7-for-36 (.194)...is tied for third in the CL in saves...has tossed 2.0 innings in each of his five appearances...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 30 at San Francisco
Giants: RHP Johnny Cueto

March 31 at San Francisco
A's: RHP Jharel Cotton, RHP Santiago Casilla, LHP Sean Doolittle, RHP Ryan Madson, RHP Ryan Dull
Giants: RHP Jeff Samardzija

April 1 vs. San Francisco
A's: RHP Andrew Triggs, RHP Raul Alcantara
Giants: RHP Tyler Beede

REGULAR SEASON PROBABLES

Monday, April 3 vs. Los Angeles (AL), 7:05 PM, NBCSCA/95.7 FM
RHP Kendall Graveman (10-11, 4.11 in 2016) vs. TBA

Tuesday, April 4 vs. Los Angeles (AL), 7:05, NBCSCA-Streaming/102.9 FM
LHP Sean Manaea (7-9, 3.86 in 2016) vs. TBA

Wednesday, April 5 vs. Los Angeles (AL), 7:05, NBCSCA/98.5 FM
RHP Jharel Cotton (2-0, 2.15 in 2016) vs. TBA

Thursday, April 6 vs. Los Angeles (AL), 12:35, NBCSCA/95.7 FM
RHP Andrew Triggs (1-1, 4.31 in 2016) vs. TBA

2017 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.
Feb. 25	at Chicago (NL)	L, 3-4	0-1	Berg	C.Smith	14,929	
Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL)	L, 3-5	0-2	Miller	Kurcz	4,072	4,072
Feb. 27	at San Francisco	W, 5-4	1-2	Castro	Suarez	7,385	
Feb. 28	Cleveland	W, 5-4	2-2	J.Smith	Russell	3,108	7,180
March 1	at San Diego	L, 0-5	2-3	Bawcom	Coulombe	1,864	
March 2	Texas	W, 5-1	3-3	Hahn	Hauschild	3,326	10,506
March 3	San Francisco	W, 6-1	4-3	Graveman	Samardzija	8,203	18,709
March 4	Cleveland	L, 5-15	4-4	Clevinger	Manaea	6,707	25,416
March 5	at Seattle	W, 5-4	5-4	Detwiler	DeJong	6,639	
March 6	OFF DAY						
March 7	at Arizona	W, 21-13	6-4	Dull	Bradley	8,208	
March 8	Italy (WBC) (exhib.)	W, 7-0		Graveman	Oberto	3,204	
March 9	Cincinnati	W, 12-5	7-4	Manaea	Adelman	4,779	30,195
March 10	at Kansas City	W, 11-7	8-4	Cotton	Hammel	6,507	
March 11	Texas	W, 8-7	9-4	Shore	Wolff	6,072	36,267
March 12	Chicago (NL)	W, 9-8	10-4	Montas	Pugliese	10,606*	46,873
March 13	at Cincinnati	L, 1-3	10-5	Garrett	Graveman	3,075	
March 14	Colorado	L, 3-4	10-6	Estevez	Coulombe	5,611	52,484
March 15	OFF DAY						

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.
March 16	at Cleveland	L, 5-6	10-7	McAllister	Triggs	6,314	
March 17	Arizona	L, 2-3	10-8	Bradley	Alcantara	8,210	60,694
March 18	San Diego	W, 2-1	11-8	Dull	Lee	7,303	67,997
March 19	at Colorado	L, 2-9	11-9	Gray	Hahn	8,682	
March 20	Arizona	L, 6-10	11-10	Wilhelmsen	Detwiler	7,412	75,409
March 21	at Seattle	W, 8-5	12-10	Cotton	Heston	8,080	
March 22	at Chicago (AL)	W, 5-3	13-10	Triggs	Gonzalez	3,895	
March 23	Milwaukee	W, 15-5	14-10	Alcantara	Guerra	6,164	81,573
March 24	Chicago (AL)	W, 8-2	15-10	Graveman	Putnam	7,027	88,600
March 25	Cincinnati	L, 6-11		Luetge	Doolittle	5,051	93,651
	at Los Angeles (NL)	L, 6-11	15-12	Hatcher	Hahn	13,219	
March 26	at Milwaukee	W, 11-1	16-12	Cotton	Garza	5,552	
March 27	Kansas City	L, 3-10	16-13	Vargas	Cotton	5,357	99,008
March 28	at Los Angeles (AL)	L, 3-14	16-14	Alvarez	Shore	7,716	
March 29	at Chicago (NL)	L, 11-15	16-15	Uehara	Jefferies	15,448	
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO/TV				
March 30	at San Francisco	7:15	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network				
March 31	at San Francisco	7:15	102.9 FM KBLX/A's Radio Network				
April 1	San Francisco (at Oak)	12:05	CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network				