

A'S NEWS LINKS, FRIDAY, JULY 7, 2017

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A's finally get injured slugger back from injury

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A's win is one to remember for Melvin, Blackburn

A's manger records his 500th victory with the team, while the Antioch native earns his first win in the majors

BY DAVID KRUEGER

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A's top Mariners, first win for Paul Blackburn, No. 500 for Melvin

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Chris Smith to be A's oldest pitcher ever to make first big-league start

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Chris Smith to start for A's on Saturday

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A's take Marcus Semien off DL, put Jharel Cotton on it

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K. Davis homers to back Blackburn's first win

By Josh Horton and Greg Johns

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Melvin wins 500th game as Oakland's manager Skipper joins Howe and La Russa in exclusive club

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Blackburn holds Seattle to one run in first win A's rookie boasts 0.66 ERA after two big league starts

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Manaea looks to remain on upswing vs. M's

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Strikeout machine Puk set for Futures Game Athletics' top pitching prospect faces big test on Sunday

BY JANE LEE

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Thursday's best: Nunez homers twice for Nashville

BY MIKE ROSENBAUM

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A'S ROOKIE BLACKBURN SILENCES MARINERS TO NOTCH FIRST MAJOR LEAGUE WIN

By Joe Stiglich

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INSTANT ANALYSIS: FIVE TAKEAWAYS FROM MELVIN'S 500TH WIN AS A'S MANAGER

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ATHLETICS' MANAEA WATCHING FIVE-TIME ALL-STAR CLOSELY TO UP HIS OWN GAME

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A's rookie Paul Blackburn gets first big-league win in 7-4 victory

by Jim Hoehn

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MINOR LEAGUE TEAMS

NASHVILLE SOUNDS

Nunez's Huge Game Helps Sounds Avoid Sweep

Infielder Drives in Five Runs in Series Finale Against Sky Sox

BY NASHVILLE SOUNDS

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MIDLAND ROCKHOUNDS

RockHounds edged by Cards on walk-off homer

Hurlbutt tosses six scoreless frames in 2-1 loss

by Bob Hards

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STOCKTON PORTS

Ports Score Biggest Comeback, Beat 66ers 7-6

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BELOIT SNAPPERS

Snappers Swept, Shut Out Again on Thursday

by Garrett Mansfield

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VERMONT LAKE MONSTERS

**Vermont 2-0 Win Thursday at Connecticut
Lake Monsters Move Into Sole Possession Of First-Place**

by Paul Stanfield

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