



# OAKLAND ATHLETICS GAME INFORMATION

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## OAKLAND ATHLETICS (2-4-1) VS. SAN DIEGO PADRES (4-3-1)

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2018 – HOHOKAM PARK – 1:05 P.M. MST  
A'S RADIO NETWORK (95.7 FM THE GAME)

**ABOUT THE A'S:** The A's have lost each of their last four games after going 2-0-1 over their first three contests...are 2-1-1 at Hohokam and 0-3 on the road...committed four errors on Thursday after making just three errors over the first six games...the seven errors are tied for second fewest in the Cactus League...the pitching staff has allowed at least seven runs in each of the last four games and has a 7.65 ERA overall, which is second highest in the majors to Arizona (7.73)...this is the A's 50th Spring Training in Arizona, their fourth 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 32 games this spring...the total includes 29 games in Arizona and three in the Bay Area against the Giants (March 25-27)...the A's went 16-18 (.471) last spring, which was the fourth worst record in the Cactus League...went 12-17-3 (.422) in 2016, which was fifth worst in the CL...this marks the first time Oakland has finished with a losing record in back-to-back springs since 2010-11...compiled a 5.93 ERA, which was second highest in the majors to Cincinnati (6.13)...it was the second highest spring ERA by an Oakland team over the last 18 years (6.10 in 2016)...surrendered 37 home runs, which tied for fifth fewest in the CL...had the second fewest strikeouts (247) and tied for the fifth fewest walks (121)...the offense ranked fourth in the CL in walks (133), tied for fourth in triples (11) and fifth in on-base percentage (.351)...also tied for the fewest stolen bases (15), ranked third in fewest hit by pitches (10) and fourth in most strikeouts (300)...the strikeouts were the most by an A's team during the spring since at least 1990 (previous: 248 in 2009)...the defense committed 28 errors, which was fourth fewest in the CL.

**YESTERDAY:** The A's had their first off day of the spring...on Thursday, Oakland lost to Texas here at Hohokam by a score of 9-8...Jharel Cotton started for the A's and allowed three runs in the second and one more in third and took the loss (2.0 ip, 5 h, 4 r, 4 er, 2 bb, 1 so)...Lou Trivino tossed a scoreless inning of relief and Andrew Triggs allowed two runs in three innings of relief (2 h, 2 r, 1 er, 3 so)...Santiago Casilla yielded a run in the seventh and Liam Hendriks surrendered two runs in the eighth inning before Ryan Buchter tossed a scoreless ninth...Khris Davis accounted for all of the A's runs with one swing of the bat, connecting for a fifth inning grand slam.

**A's vs. PADRES:** This is the second of three meetings between the A's and Padres this spring...the A's won the first game here in Mesa on February 24, 8-3...square off again in Peoria tomorrow...Oakland split two games with San Diego last spring, losing 5-0 at Peoria on March 1 and winning 2-1 in Mesa on March 18...the A's have won 12 of their last 17 spring games against the Padres.

**PLAYER NOTES:** *Franklin Barreto* had two triples Tuesday at Cleveland, which ties him for the Cactus League lead (Rondon, CWS)...also ranks sixth in the CL in slugging (.846) and tied for seventh in runs (5)...has appeared in three games at second base and two at shortstop...*Mark Canha* has appeared in three games at first base, one in left field and one in right field...*Khris Davis* has homered in each of his last two games...is tied for seventh in the CL in home runs (2) and tied for 10th in RBI (6)...has appeared in two games in left field and two at designated hitter...*Slade Heathcott (NR)* is one of two Athletics to appear in all seven games this spring (Martini)...*Matt Joyce* has appeared in two games in right field, one in left field and one at designated hitter...*Nick Martini (NR)* is one of two Athletics to appear in all seven games this spring (Heathcott)...*Sean Murphy (NR)* has hit safely and driven in a run in each of his two games (2-for-4, three RBI)...*Matt Olson* has reached base safely via hit or walk in all five of his games...is tied for seventh in the CL in home runs (2)...*Chad Pinder* has appeared in one game at second base, one at third base, one at shortstop and one in left field...*Stephen Piscotty* has appeared in two games in right field and one at designated hitter...*Marcus Semien* has hit safely in each of his four games (5-for-11, .455).

**IN CAMP:** The A's have 59 players in camp, which is 11 fewer than last spring when they had 70...the total includes 40 players on the 40-man roster and 19 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 30 pitchers, six catchers, 11 infielders and 12 outfielders.

**HOW THE A'S WERE BUILT:** Of the 40 players on the 40-man roster, seven were drafted by the A's (Chapman, 1st round in 2014; Dull, 32nd in 2012; Gossett, 2nd in 2014; Maxwell, 2nd in 2012; Olson, compensation following 1st round in 2012; Pinder, competitive balance round B in 2013; Trivino, 11th in 2013)...one was signed as a non-drafted agent (Nuñez), three were signed as free agents (Casilla, Joyce, Petit) and three were claimed off waivers (Gagneau, Smolinski, Triggs)...the other 26 were all acquired in trades...12 of the 40 players were not in the A's organization last spring and 31 have joined the A's organization since the end of the 2014 season...the longest tenured Athletics in camp are Renato Nuñez (signed July 2, 2010) and Raul Alcantara (acquired in a Dec. 28, 2011 trade).

**OFF SEASON MOVES:** The A's signed one free agent this offseason: Yusmeiro Petit...the A's also acquired four 40-man players via trade, including Emilio Pagan (Seattle, Nov. 15), Stephen Piscotty (St. Louis, Dec. 14), and Ryan Buchter and Brandon Moss (Kansas City, Jan. 29).

**NON-ROSTER INVITEES:** The Athletics have 19 non-roster invitees in Major League camp...the players include RHP Nolan Blackwood, LHP Jeremy Bleich, RHP Simon Castro, C Santiago Chavez, RHP Kyle Finnegan, OF Anthony Garcia, OF Slade Heathcott, RHP Grant Holmes, LHP Eric Jokisch, IF Steve Lombardozi, LHP Jarret Martin, OF Nick Martini, C Sean Murphy, IF Sheldon Neuse, IF Nick Noonan, LHP A.J. Puk, RHP Logan Shore, C Beau Taylor and RHP Bobby Wahl...six of the 19 non-roster players have Major League experience (Castro, Heathcott, Jokisch, Lombardozi, Noonan, Wahl).

**A'S TOP PROSPECTS:** Six of the A's top 10 prospects according to *Baseball America* are in major league camp this spring: A.J. Puk (#1), Franklin Barreto (#2), Jorge Mateo (#3), Dustin Fowler (#4), Sean Murphy (#7) and Logan Shore (#10)...the others are Jesus Luzardo (#5), Austin Beck (#6), James Kaprielian (#8) and Lazaro Armenteros (#9).

**MINOR LEAGUE DATES:** Minor League mini camp is currently underway...pitchers and catchers report today with the first workout scheduled for tomorrow...position players report Friday, March 9 with the first workout scheduled for March 10...Double-A and Triple-A games begin Tuesday, March 13 and Single-A games start on March 16.

**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 complementary 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 RADIO:** The A's radio network will broadcast 11 games this spring, including eight from Arizona and three games against San Francisco in the Bay Area...flagship station 95.7 FM The Game will carry each game except March 27 against San Francisco...the Cactus League schedule includes all Saturday and Sunday games except March 11, plus the March 12 game against San Francisco...Ken Korach returns for his 23rd year in the broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (13th) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 33rd season in the booth...all games not broadcast over the air can be heard live via the club's web site with the exception of March 15...Donny Baarns will call the action on the webcasts, with the exception of March 5 and 6 when Dom Cotroneo will fill in.

**A'S ON TELEVISION:** NBC Sports California will televise two games, including March 15 against Seattle (7:05 pm) and March 25 against the Giants in Oakland (1:05 pm)...Glen Kuiper joins Ray Fosse in the broadcast booth for those telecasts...four games will air in the Bay Area on MLB Network: March 7 vs. Seattle (tape delay to 9:00 PM PST and 6:00 AM PST on March 8), March 9 vs. Milwaukee (tape delay to 8:00 PM PST), March 19 vs. Los Angeles-NL (tape delay to 9:00 PM PDT) and March 21 vs. Milwaukee (live)...three A's vs. Giants will air live in the Bay Area: March 17 (NBC), March 26 (NBCSBA) and March 27 (NBCSBA+).

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## TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

### STARTING PITCHER

**#49 KENDALL GRAVEMAN RHP (0-1, 4.50 ERA)**

Is scheduled to make his second start of the spring...allowed a run in the second inning of his first start last Monday at Chicago (AL) and took the loss...went 6-4 with a 4.19 ERA in 19 starts last year in a season shortened due to two stints on the disabled list with a strained right shoulder...the ERA was a career high as was his opponents batting average (.280), on-base percentage (.338), slugging percentage (.442) and OPS (.780)...allowed 12 home runs and his average of 1.03 home runs per nine innings was a career low...his 19 starts are his fewest in his three seasons with Oakland...his opponents batting average broke down to .238 (44-for-185) against left-handed hitters compared to .315 (70-for-222) against right-handers...entered the season with a .273 career average against lefties, .272 against righties...opponents batted .266 with runners in scoring position but just .186 with RISP and two outs...went 5-0 with a 2.94 ERA in 11 starts at home compared to 1-4 with a 6.39 ERA in eight starts on the road...joins Kenny Rogers (11-0 in 1998) and Todd Burns (5-0 in 1988) as the only starting pitchers in Oakland history to go undefeated at home with five or more decisions.

### GRAVEMAN'S 2018 SPRING TRAINING STARTS

Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	
Feb. 26	at Chicago (AL)	6-7	L	4.50	2.0	4	1	1	0	3	0	
<b>Totals (1 game, 1 start)</b>				<b>0-1</b>	<b>4.50</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>

### #50 RAUL ALCÁNTARA RHP (1-0, 16.20 ERA)

Allowed three runs in his last outing Monday at Chicago-AL (0.2 ip, 3 h, 3 r, 3 er, 2 bb) after retiring the side in order in his first outing on Feb. 23 against Los Angeles (AL)...went 1-2 with a 7.13 ERA in eight games, including four starts, over two stints with the A's in 2017...allowed a .239 opponents batting average but issued 12 walks in 24.0 innings (4.50 per nine innings) for a .343 on-base percentage...12 of the 22 hits (54.5%) he allowed were for extra bases for a .478 slugging percentage...his opponents average included a mark of .238 (10-for-42) against left-handed hitters compared to .240 (12-for-50) against right-handers...began the season in the starting rotation but made just one start and two relief appearances before he was designated for assignment April 25 and outrighted to Triple-A Nashville April 29...returned to Oakland Sept. 5 and made two relief appearances before his final three outings were starts...compiled a 1-2 record, four saves and a 2.67 ERA in 18 games, including three starts, with Nashville...was on the disabled list from May 26 to July 28 with a strained right elbow.

### #67 SIMON CASTRO RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Has not allowed a run over his first two appearances, including his last outing on Monday at Chicago (AL) when he tossed a scoreless ninth inning (1.0 ip, 1 bb)...the non-roster invitee began the 2017 season at Triple-A Nashville and was 3-5 with four saves and a 3.32 ERA in 33 relief appearances when he was promoted to Oakland July 16...spent the remainder of the season with the A's and went 1-3 with a 4.38 ERA in a career-high 26 appearances...had just 15 career games over his first two seasons in the majors...surrendered seven home runs in 37.0 innings...had a 2.25 ERA, .179 opponents batting average and averaged 1.69 walks per nine innings over his first 12 games through Aug. 14...then compiled a 6.00 ERA, .275 opponents average and averaged 4.71 walks per nine innings over his final 14 contests...allowed a .235 opponents batting average but 15 of the 32 hits he allowed were for extra bases for a .449 slugging percentage...his opponents batting average included a mark of .180 (11-for-61) against left-handed hitters compared to .280 (21-for-75) against right-handers...allowed just 2-of-13 (15.4%) inherited runners to score...first batters faced were 3-for-23 (.130) with no extra base hits, one walk and two hit by pitches (.231 on-base percentage).

### #48 DANIEL GOSSETT RHP (4-11, 6.11 ERA in 2017)

Is scheduled to make his first appearance of the spring...went 4-11 with a 6.11 ERA in 18 starts over two stints with Oakland in his Major League debut last year...his .267 winning percentage was third lowest in the American League and tied for fourth lowest in Oakland history...based on a minimum of 90 innings pitched, he had the second highest opponents slugging percentage in the AL (.549), the fourth highest batting average (.306) and OPS (.906) and the fifth highest ERA...ranked fifth among AL rookies in games started (18), sixth in innings pitched (91.1) and eighth in strikeouts (72)...his opponents batting average included a .296 (63-for-213) mark against right-handed hitters compared to .319 (53-for-166) against left-handers...

compiled a 4-4 record with a 3.66 ERA and .239 opponents batting average in 14 starts with Nashville...surrendered just six home runs in 76.1 innings, an average of 0.71 per nine innings...his opponents batting average included a mark of .230 (37-for-161) against right-handed hitters compared to .250 (33-for-132) against left-handers.

### #15 EMILIO PAGÁN RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in two appearances this spring, including his last outing on Tuesday at Cleveland when he tossed a scoreless fourth inning (1.0 ip, 2 so, 1 hb)...was acquired from Seattle with Alexander Campos for Ryon Healy on Nov. 15, 2017...made his Major League debut with the Mariners last year and was 2-3 with a 3.22 ERA in 34 relief appearances over four stints...struck out 56 batters in 50.1 innings (10.01 strikeouts per nine innings) and walked just eight (1.43 per nine innings) for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 7.00...ranked fifth among American League relievers in walks per nine innings, sixth in strikeout-to-walk ratio and 10th in opponents on-base percentage (.246)...allowed a .212 opponents batting average, which included .189 against right-handed hitters compared to .258 against left-handers...had a .172 opponents batting with runners in scoring position...began the season at Tacoma and went 2-1 with five saves and a 2.56 ERA in 23 relief appearances with the Rainiers...did not allow a home run in 31.2 innings...struck out 36, an average of 10.23 per nine innings...allowed a .171 opponents batting average, including .157 against right-handed hitters compared to .195 against left-handers...opponents hit .133 with runners in scoring position.

### #30 A.J. PUK LHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

The non-roster invitee is scheduled to make his second appearance of the spring...retired each of the six batters he faced in his first outing last Sunday, a start against Kansas City (2.0 ip, 1 so)...split his first full professional season between Single-A Stockton and Double-A Midland last year...combined for a 6-10 record and a 4.03 ERA in 27 games, including 24 starts...struck out 184 batters in 125.0 innings, an average of 13.24 per nine innings...ranked third in all of the minors in strikeouts behind Alec Hansen (191) and Triston McKenzie (186)...the strikeouts led the A's farm system and tied for the sixth best total by a minor leaguer in Oakland history...also ranked eighth in the A's farm system in ERA and innings pitched...was named the A's Organization Pitcher of the Year...walked 48 for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 3.83...surrendered just three home runs, an average of 0.22 per nine innings...was named to the California League Midseason All-Star Team...represented the United States in the All-Star Futures Game...allowed a .227 opponents batting average, which included .227 against right-handed hitters compared to .228 against left-handers...was named the A's number one prospect by *Baseball America* following the season.

### UPCOMING PROBABLES

#### March 3 vs. San Diego

**Padres:** RHP Jordan Lyles, RHP Brett Kennedy, LHP Matt Strahm, RHP Robert Stock, RHP Colten Brewer, RHP Kyle Lloyd, RHP Trey Wingenter

#### March 4 at San Diego

**A's:** RHP Frankie Montas, RHP Yusmeiro Petit, RHP Chris Hatcher, RHP Blake Treinen, RHP Chris Bassitt, LHP Danny Coulombe  
**Padres:** LHP Clayton Richard, RHP Craig Stammen, RHP Kirby Yates, RHP Phil Maton, RHP Carter Capps, RHP Tom Wilhelmson, RHP Kazuhisa Makita

#### March 5 vs. Chicago (AL)

**A's:** RHP Daniel Mengden, RHP Paul Blackburn, RHP Liam Hendriks, RHP Santiago Casilla, RHP Ryan Buchter  
**White Sox:** RHP Dylan Cease, LHP Ian Clarkin, LHP Xavier Cedeño, RHP Chris Volstad, RHP Danny Farquhar, RHP Joakim Soria, RHP Chris Beck

#### March 6 vs. Texas

**A's:** LHP Sean Manaea, RHP Andrew Triggs  
**Rangers:** RHP Bartolo Colón

## 2018 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO/TV
Feb. 23	Los Angeles (AL)	W, 9-8	1-0	Alcántara	Pinder	4,315	4,315	March 11	Chicago (NL)	1:05 pm	
Feb. 24	San Diego	W, 8-3	2-0	Hatcher	Lockett	3,522	7,837	March 12	San Francisco	1:05 pm	(95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network)
Feb. 25	Kansas City	T, 4-4	2-0-1	—	—	4,144	11,981	March 13	at Kansas City	1:05 pm	
Feb. 26	at Chicago (AL)	L, 6-7	2-1-1	Kopech	Graveman	2,826		March 14	OFF DAY		
Feb. 27	at Cleveland	L, 8-16	2-2-1	DeMasi	Wahl	2,275		March 15	Seattle	7:05 pm	(NBCSCA)
Feb. 28	at Chicago (NL)	L, 5-7	2-3-1	Hendricks	Blackburn	8,313		March 16	Cleveland	1:05 pm	
March 1	Texas	L, 4-9	2-4-1	Blackburn	Cotton	3,043	15,024	March 17	Seattle (ss)	1:05 pm	(95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network)
March 2	OFF DAY								at San Francisco (ss)	4:05 pm	
March 3	San Diego	1:05 pm						March 18	Chicago (AL)	1:05 pm	(95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network)
March 4	at San Diego	1:05 pm						March 19	at Los Angeles (NL)	7:05 pm	
March 5	Chicago (AL)	1:05 pm						March 20	Los Angeles (NL)	1:05 pm	
March 6	Texas	1:05 pm						March 21	at Milwaukee	1:05 pm	
March 7	at Seattle	6:40 pm						March 22	Colorado	1:05 pm	
March 8	Los Angeles (AL)	1:05 pm						March 23	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:05 pm	
March 9	at Milwaukee	1:05 pm						March 24	Milwaukee	12:05 pm	
March 10	at Texas	1:05 pm						March 25	San Francisco (at Oak)	1:05 pm	(NBCSCA/95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network)
								March 26	at San Francisco (at SF)	7:15 pm	(95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network)
								March 27	at San Francisco (at SF)	6:05 pm	(A's Radio Network)