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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (8-7-2) VS. KANSAS CITY ROYALS (8-9-1)

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018 – SURPRISE STADIUM – 1:05 P.M. MST
A'S WEBCAST

ABOUT THE A'S: Started the spring 2-0-1, lost five straight from Feb. 26 to March 3 and are now 6-2-1 over the last nine games...are 5-3-2 at Hohokam and 3-4 on the road...now have a record of 33-18-5 (.634) at Hohokam Park since moving back to Mesa in 2015...A's pitchers have compiled a 3.63 ERA (25 er in 62.0 ip) over the last seven games after posting a 7.45 ERA over the first 10 contests...have a 5.86 ERA overall, which is tied for third highest in the majors...have allowed 20 home runs, which is second fewest in the Cactus League to Kansas City (13)...have the third fewest strikeouts (139)... have committed 13 errors, which is tied with the Cubs for second fewest in the CL (COL, 10)...the offense has struck out 126 times, which is the fewest in the CL and tied for second fewest in the majors (MIN, 118)...has 27 doubles, which is second fewest in the majors (WAS, 22)...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...also had a losing record in 2016, which 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).

YESTERDAY: The A's lost to the Giants in Mesa by a score of 6-5...Jharel Cotton started for Oakland and tossed 4.0 scoreless and hitless innings (3 bb, 5 so)... he left with a 1-0 lead as Stephen Piscotty homered in the second inning... Ryan Buchter then allowed five runs in the fifth inning while recording just two outs (0.2 ip, 3 h, 5 r, 5 er, 2 bb, 1 so)...Santiago Casilla retired the side in order in the sixth and the A's tied the game with four runs in the bottom of the sixth...Marcus Semien opened the scoring with a RBI single, Franklin Barreto hit a two-run home run and Jake Smolinski added a RBI single...Daniel Gossett (3.0 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 so) allowed a run in the eighth inning for the loss...Piscotty had two of the A's seven hits.

A's vs. ROYALS: This is the second and final meeting between the A's and Royals this spring...played to a 4-4 tie in the first game on Feb. 25 in Mesa...the two clubs split two games last spring, with the A's winning 11-7 at Surprise on March 10 and losing 10-3 in Mesa on March 27...the win marked the first time the A's defeated the Royals in Surprise since March 21, 2007 (11-10)... over the last 11 springs, the A's are 2-1-1 in Mesa, 5-1-1 in Phoenix and 1-8-1 at Surprise.

PLAYER NOTES: **Franklin Barreto** has nine hits, six of which are for extra bases (one double, two triples, three home runs)...ranks third in the Cactus League in slugging (.767), tied for third in triples (2) and tied for 10th in home runs (3) and total bases (23)...has appeared in eight games at second base and four at shortstop...**Mark Canha** is 6-for-13 (.462) with a double, two home runs and five RBI over his last six games after going 1-for-11 (.091) over his first six contests...has appeared in eight games at first base, two in left field and two in right field...**Matt Chapman** started the spring 0-for-15 before hitting a three-run home run in the fourth inning Sunday against the Cubs...**Khris Davis** has four hits this spring, all for extra bases (one triple, three home runs)...is tied for seventh in the CL in RBI (10) and tied for 10th in home runs...has appeared in six games in left field and five at designated hitter...**Anthony Garcia (NR)** hit his third home run a week ago today against Texas, which ties him for 10th in the CL...has appeared in six games in right field, four in left field and one in center field...**Slade Heathcott (NR)** stole his fourth base of the spring yesterday against San Francisco, which is tied for fifth in the CL...has appeared in 12 games at first base, one in left field, one in center field and one in right field...**Matt Joyce** went 1-for-4 in a start at designated hitter Sunday against Chicago (NL) in his first CL appearance in a week...each of his last two games have come as the designated hitter and he has not played the outfield since March 1...overall, has appeared in three games as the designated hitter, two in right field and one in left field...**Jed Lowrie** is 4-for-11 (.364) with three walks over his last five games after going 1-for-8 (.125) over his first three contests...**Nick Martini (NR)** is 4-for-7 (.571) with two walks over his last eight games...**Chad Pinder** went 0-for-2 yesterday against San Francisco after hitting safely in each of his previous five games (5-for-15, .333)...has played every position except pitcher, catcher and center field this spring (three games at third base, three in left field, two at second base, one at shortstop, one in right field and one at first base)...**Stephen Piscotty** is 3-for-5 (.600) over his last two games after going 3-for-18 (.167) over his first seven contests...has appeared in eight games in right field and one at designated hitter...**Marcus Semien** is 1-for-8 (.125) over his last three games after hitting safely in each of his first eight contests (11-for-22, .500)...ranks second in the CL in batting (.400), fifth in on-base percentage (.424) and tied

for 10th in hits (12)...**Jake Smolinski** hit his third home run Saturday at Texas, which is tied for 10th in the CL...has appeared in five games in center field, four in right field, two in left field and one at designated hitter.

IN CAMP: After agreeing to terms with free agent Jonathan Lucroy yesterday, the A's now have 50 players in camp...the total includes 39 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and 11 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 23 pitchers, six catchers, 10 infielders and 11 outfielders.

CONTRACT STATUS: The A's have two players under contract beyond the 2018 season...Yusmeiro Petit is signed through 2019 with a club option for 2020 and Stephen Piscotty is signed through 2022 with a club option for 2023.

MINOR LEAGUE DATES: A's minor leaguers had their first full squad workout on Saturday...Double-A and Triple-A games begin today and Single-A games start on Friday, 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 remaining Cactus League schedule includes next Saturday and Sunday against the Mariners and White Sox...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 this Thursday...Donny Baarns will call the action on the remaining webcasts.

A's ON TELEVISION: NBC Sports California will televise two games, including this Thursday 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...two remaining games will air in the Bay Area on MLB Network, including March 19 vs. Los Angeles-NL (tape delay to 9:00 PM PDT) and March 21 vs. Milwaukee (live)...three additional A's vs. Giants will air live in the Bay Area: March 17 (NBC), March 26 (NBCSBA) and March 27 (NBCSBA+).

TRANSACTIONS

March 4	Jairo Labourt claimed off waivers from Cincinnati; Brandon Moss designated for assignment
March 6	Brandon Moss released
March 10	Grant Holmes and Logan Shore reassigned to minor league camp
March 11	Jairo Labourt and Lou Trivino optioned to Nashville; Nolan Blackwood, Jeremy Bleich, Santiago Chavez, Jarrett Martin, Nick Noonan and Bobby Wahl reassigned to minor league camp
March 12	Free agent Jonathan Lucroy agrees to terms on a one-year contract; Jairo Labourt designated for assignment

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American League Champions: 1902•1905•1910•1911•1913•1914•1929•1930•1931•1972•1973•1974•1988•1989•1990

TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHER

#49 KENDALL GRAVEMAN RHP (0-2, 12.00 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his fourth start of the spring...has allowed seven runs in 4.0 innings over his last two starts after yielding one run in 2.0 innings in his first start...opponents are hitting .407 (11-for-27)...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
March 3	San Diego	4-10	L	13.50	1.1	4	4	4	2	0	0
March 8	Los Angeles (AL)	7-3	-	12.00	2.2	3	3	3	2	2	0
Totals (3 games, 3 starts)				0-2	12.00	6.0	11	8	8	4	5

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

Has not allowed a run over his first four appearances (3.2 ip), including his last outing last Thursday against Los Angeles (AL) when he tossed a scoreless eighth inning (1.0 ip, 1 h)...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).

#68 KYLE FINNEGAN RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in his first three outings (2.1), including his last appearance last Wednesday night at Seattle when he tossed a scoreless ninth inning (1.0 ip, 1 h, 2 so)...the non-roster invitee started the 2017 season at Double-A Midland but made his Triple-A debut with Nashville in late June and combined for a 2-4 record, 12 saves and a 3.88 ERA in 46 relief appearances...the saves were a career high and ranked second in the A's farm system...his games pitched were also a career high...converted 12-of-14 (85.7%) save opportunities...went 1-3 with nine saves and a 3.19 ERA in 29 games with the RockHounds and was named to the Texas League Midseason All-Star team...was also 1-1 with a 4.94 ERA in 17 relief appearances with the Sounds and converted all three of his save opportunities...combined for a .262 opponents batting average, including .255 (36-for-141) against right-handed hitters and .272 (25-for-92) against left-handers...surrendered six of his eight home runs to righties...yielded a .229 batting average with runners in scoring position, including .205 with RISP and two outs...allowed 6-of-21 (28.6%) inherited runners to score, including 1-of-11 (9.1%) with Nashville.

#44 CHRIS HATCHER RHP (1-0, 2.25 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in three of his four appearances, including his last outing on Sunday against Chicago (NL) when he retired the side in order in the fifth inning (1.0 ip)...opponents are 1-for-13 (.077) with one walk...began the 2017 season with the Los Angeles Dodgers and was 0-1 with a 4.66 ERA in 26 relief appearances when he was traded to Oakland Aug. 15...went 1-1 with

a save and a 3.52 ERA in 23 games with the A's and combined for a 1-2 record and a 4.22 ERA in 49 appearances in his seventh season in the majors...had career highs in strikeouts (63), innings pitched (59.2), hits (58), runs (29), earned runs (28) and home runs (10) and matched his high in walks (21)...his 49 games pitched were three short of his high of 52 in 2014 with Miami...allowed a .250 opponents batting average, including .213 (19-for-89) against left-handed hitters compared to .273 (39-for-143) against right-handers...yielded a .125 batting average with runners in scoring position but opponents hit .309 when leading off an inning...first batters faced hit .239 and he walked just two for a .265 on-base percentage...allowed 3-of-14 (21.4%) inherited runners to score...stranded all seven of his inherited runners with the Dodgers...had a 2.45 ERA in the Coliseum, a 3.15 ERA in Dodger Stadium and a 5.65 ERA in all other ballparks.

#36 YUSMEIRO PETIT RHP (0-0, 1.93 ERA)

Has faced 16 batters this spring and has allowed just two base runners, a Kipnis home run on Feb. 27 at Cleveland and a Perez reach on error last Friday at Maryvale...opponents are 1-for-16 (.063)...last pitched on Friday at Milwaukee (2.0 ip)...signed a two-year contract with a club option for 2020 on Dec. 7, 2017...spent the 2017 with Los Angeles (AL)...appeared in a career high 60 games and went 5-2 with a career-high four saves and a career-low 2.76 ERA...also had career-lows in opponents batting average (.207), on-base percentage (.249), slugging percentage (.321) and OPS (.571)...struck out 101 and walked just 18 (1.77 per nine innings) for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 5.61...made one start and his 87.1 innings pitched in relief were the most among Major League relievers...tied for sixth among American League relievers in strikeouts (96)...stranded all 20 of his inherited runners, which tied for the most by any AL pitcher with no inherited runners scored dating back to 1974 (Shane Greene, DET 2016)...first batters faced were 8-for-58 (.138) with no walks...had the lowest first batter faced on-base percentage in the majors...his opponents batting average included a .186 (36-for-194) mark against right-handed hitters compared to .237 (33-for-139) against left-handers.

#39 BLAKE TREINEN RHP (0-0, 2.25 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in three of his four appearances, including his last outing on Sunday against Chicago (NL) when he retired the side in order in the sixth inning (1.0 ip, 2 so)...was acquired from Washington in the Sean Doolittle/Ryan Madson trade on July 16, 2017 and ended up saving 13 games for the A's...went 3-4 with a 2.13 ERA in 35 appearances with Oakland and his ERA was third lowest in the American League among pitchers with more than 35 innings from July 17 through the end of the season...was 0-2 with three saves and a 5.73 ERA in 37 games with the Nationals and combined for a 3-6 record, a career-high 16 saves and a 3.93 ERA overall...also had career highs in innings pitched (75.2), strikeouts (74), losses, hits (80), runs (35), earned runs (33), home runs (6), hit batters (5), ERA, opponents slugging percentage (.397) and OPS (.736)...matched his high in wild pitches (4)...converted 16-of-21 (76.2%) save opportunities, which was the fifth lowest save percentage in the majors...tied for third among Major League relievers in grounded into double plays (12)...yielded a .274 opponents batting average, including .252 (41-for-163) against right-handed hitters and .302 (39-for-129) against left-handers.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 13 at Kansas City

Royals: LHP Danny Duffy, RHP Kelvin Herrera, RHP Brandon Maurer, RHP Willy Peralta, RHP Brad Keller

March 14 OFF DAY

March 15 vs. Seattle

A's: LHP A.J. Puk, RHP Paul Blackburn, LHP Ryan Buchter, RHP Santiago Casilla, LHP Danny Coulombe
Mariners: LHP Ariel Miranda

March 16 vs. Cleveland

A's: RHP Daniel Mengden, RHP Andrew Triggs
Indians: RHP Carlos Carrasco

2018 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.
Feb. 23	Los Angeles (AL)	W, 9-8	1-0	Alcántara	Pinder	4,315	4,315
Feb. 24	San Diego	W, 8-3	2-0	Hatcher	Lockett	3,522	7,837
Feb. 25	Kansas City	T, 4-4	2-0-1	—	—	4,144	11,981
Feb. 26	at Chicago (AL)	L, 6-7	2-1-1	Kopech	Graveman	2,826	
Feb. 27	at Cleveland	L, 8-16	2-2-1	DeMasi	Wahl	2,275	
Feb. 28	at Chicago (NL)	L, 5-7	2-3-1	Hendricks	Blackburn	8,313	
March 1	Texas	L, 4-9	2-4-1	Blackburn	Cotton	3,043	15,024
March 2	OFF DAY						
March 3	San Diego	L, 4-10	2-5-1	Lyles	Graveman	5,251	20,275
March 4	at San Diego	W, 12-4	3-5-1	Montas	Richard	4,676	
March 5	Chicago (AL)	T, 9-9	3-5-2	—	—	4,302	24,577
March 6	Texas	W, 5-3	4-5-2	Triggs	Rodriguez	3,731	28,308
March 7	at Seattle	W, 7-3	5-5-2	Bassitt	Phelps	4,571	
March 8	Los Angeles (AL)	W, 7-3	6-5-2	Wahl	Middleton	5,239	33,547
March 9	at Milwaukee	W, 2-0	7-5-2	Puk	Gallardo	4,990	
March 10	at Texas	L, 2-8	7-6-2	Minor	Blackburn	5,239	
March 11	Chicago (NL)	W, 7-2	8-6-2	Manaea	Ryan	10,029*	43,576

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.	
March 12	San Francisco	L, 5-6	8-7-2	Gomez	Gossett	8,539	52,015	
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME RADIO/TV						
March 13	at Kansas City	1:05 pm						
March 14	OFF DAY							
March 15	Seattle	7:05 pm (NBCSCA)						
March 16	Cleveland	1:05 pm						
March 17	Seattle (ss)	1:05 pm (95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network)						
	at San Francisco (ss)	4:05 pm						
March 18	Chicago (AL)	1:05 pm (95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network)						
March 19	at Los Angeles (NL)	7:05 pm						
March 20	Los Angeles (NL)	1:05 pm						
March 21	at Milwaukee	1:05 pm						
March 22	Colorado	1:05 pm						
March 23	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:05 pm						
March 24	Milwaukee	12:05 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)						