

# OAKLAND ATHLETICS GAME INFORMATION

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# OAKLAND ATHLETICS (11-9-2) VS. CHICAGO WHITE SOX (11-10-2)

SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018 – HOHOKAM PARK – 1:05 P.M. MST A'S RADIO NETWORK (95.7 FM THE GAME)

ABOUT THE A'S: Are 4-4 over the last eight games after going 5-0-1 over the previous six contests...the A's pitching staff has compiled a 4.12 ERA (49 er in 107.0 ip) over the last 12 games after posting a 7.45 ERA over the first 10 contests...has a 5.61 ERA overall, which is fourth highest in the Cactus League...had a 5.93 ERA last spring, which was second highest in the majors and second highest by an Oakland team over the last 18 years (6.10 in 2016)...have allowed 24 home runs, which is tied with Kansas City and Milwaukee for the fewest in the CL...have issued 90 walks, which is the most in the CL and second most in the majors (102)...have 182 strikeouts, which is tied for third fewest in the CL...the offense has struck out 162 times, which is the fewest in the majors (LAA, 163)...has 42 doubles, which is fourth fewest in the CL...have committed 16 errors, which is tied for third fewest in the CL...are 6-5-2 at Hohokam and 5-4 on the road...now have a record of 34-20-5 (.619) at Hohokam Park since moving back to Mesa in 2015...the A's 22 games played are tied for the fewest in the majors...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.

**YESTERDAY:** The A's split a split squad, losing to the Mariners here at Hohokam by a score of 4-1 and then defeating the Giants at Scottsdale, 8-3... Sean Manaea started against Seattle and had a no decision (4.2 ip, 4 h, 1 r, 1 er, 3 bb, 3 so)...he left trailing 1-0 and Yusmeiro Petit (1.1 ip), Chris Hatcher (1.0 ip) and Emilio Pagán (1.0 ip) followed with scoreless relief...the A's tied the game with an unearned run in the bottom of the eighth on a Tyler Marincov sacrifice fly...Ryan Buchter then allowed three runs in the ninth inning for the loss...Andrew Triggs started against San Francisco and picked up the win (3.2 ip, 2 h, 2 r, 2 er, 3 bb, 4 so) and Daniel Gossett picked up the save after closing out the game with 4.0 scoreless innings of relief (2 h, 2 bb, 5 so)...Oakland scored four times in the first inning on RBI doubles by Matt Joyce and Jake Smolinki and a two-run home run by Sheldon Neuse...Matt Olson added a sacrifice fly in the third and Steve Lombardozzi's RBI doubled highlighted

A's vs. WHITE SOX: This is the third and final meeting between the A's and White Sox this spring...Oakland lost the first game at Camelback Ranch on Feb. 26 by a score of 7-6 and then played to a 9-9 tie here at Hohokam on March 5...Oakland won both games last spring, winning 5-3 at Glendale March 22 and 8-2 in Mesa on March 24.

PLAYER NOTES: Franklin Barreto had his third multiple hit game yesterday at San Francisco...is tied for third in the Cactus League in runs (11), ranks fifth in slugging (.675) and tied for fifth in triples (2)...has appeared in 10 games at second base and five at shortstop... Mark Canha is 10-for-22 (.455) with two doubles, three home runs and seven RBI over his last nine games after going 1-for-11 (.091) over his first six contests...has appeared in 11 games at first base, two in left field and two in right field... Matt Chapman had his first multiple hit game Thursday night against Seattle and is now 4-for-10 (.400) with two doubles and a home run over his last five games after going 0-for-14 over his first five contests...Khris Davis is 0-for-12 with a walk over his last five games...has four hits this spring, all for extra bases (one triple, three home runs)...has appeared in seven games in left field and seven at designated hitter...*Dustin Fowler* is 1-for-15 over his last six games... has played exclusively in center field on defense... Dustin Garneau is 0-for-6 over his last five games and is 1-for-14 in 11 games overall... Matt Joyce has played in just three CL games over the previous 13 days and is 2-for-10 (.200) in three starts at designated hitter over that stretch...has not played the outfield since March 1...overall, has appeared in five games as the designated hitter, two in right field and one in left field... Jed Lowrie is 6-for-17 (.353) with three walks over his last seven games after going 1-for-8 (.125) over his first three contests...Jonathan Lucroy made his first appearance in a CL game yesterday against Seattle and was 0-for-2...Bruce Maxwell has hit safely in each of his last five games (5-for-14, .357) after going 3-for-13 (.231) over his first six contests...Sheldon Neuse (NR) hit his fourth home run yesterday, which ties him for eighth in the CL...is also sixth in slugging (.625)... is now 6-for-11 (.545) with two doubles, two home runs and five RBI over his last four games after going 1-for-17 over his previous nine contests...has appeared in 13 games at third base, three at designated hitter, two at second base and one at shortstop... Renato Núñez has not played since Feb. 24 due to a strained left hamstring... Matt Olson is 5-for-18 (.278) over his last seven games and four of the hits are doubles... Josh Phegley is 1-for-9 (.111) over his last four games after going 4-for-12 (.333) over his first six contests... *Chad Pinder* is 8-for-26 (.308) over his last nine games after going 2-for-14 (.143) over his first five contests...has played every position except pitcher, catcher and center field this spring (five games in left field, three at third base, two at second base, two at shortstop, one in right field and one at first base)... *Stephen Piscotty* is 5-for-12 (.417) over his last four games after going 3-for-18 (.167) over his first seven contests...has appeared exclusively in right field on defense... *Boog Powell* is 4-for-10 (.400) with two doubles over his last four games after going 4-for-23 (.174) over his first 10 contests...has appeared in nine games in center field... *Marcus Semien* is 1-for-15 over his last five games after hitting safely in each of his first eight contests (11-for-22, .500)... *Jake Smolinski* is 2-for-12 (.167) over his last three games after hitting .333 over his first 11 conests...has appeared in seven games in center field, five in right field, two in left field and one at designated hitter... *Beau Taylor (NR)* is 1-for-7 (.143) over his last seven games after going 3-for-4 (.750) over his first two contests.

*IN CAMP:* Following today's roster moves, the A's now have 39 players in camp...the total includes 36 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and three non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 19 pitchers, five catchers, eight infielders and seven outfielders.

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...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 your enter the parking lot at the home plate entrance.

A's ON RADIO: The A's radio network will broadcast its final Cactus League game today against the White Sox...all three games against the Giants in the Bay Area will also air on the A's radio network...flagship station 95.7 FM The Game will carry each of those games except March 27 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 remaining games not broadcast over the air can be heard live via the club's web site...Donny Baarns will call the action.

A's ON TELEVISION: NBC Sports California has one remaining telecast this spring: March 25 against the Giants in Oakland (1:05 pm)...Glen Kuiper joins Ray Fosse in the broadcast booth for that telecast...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)...two additional A's vs. Giants games will air live in the Bay Area: March 26 on NBCSBA and March 27 on 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
- March 13 Ramón Laureano and Jorge Mateo optioned to Nashville
- March 14 Jairo Labourt released
- March 18 Chris Bassitt optioned to Nashville; Kyle Finnegan, Anthony Garcia, Slade Heathcott, Eric Jokisch, Steve Lombardozzi, Nick Martini, Sean Murphy and A.J. Puk reassigned to minor league camp

# TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

#### STARTING PITCHER #97 JESUS LUZARDO LHP (0-0, 1 save, 0.00 ERA)

Was brought over from minor league camp today to make his second appearance and first start of the spring...his first outing was on March 6 against Texas when he tossed a scoreless ninth inning to pick up the save in the A's 5-3 win...was acquired by the A's organization last year on July 16, 2017 from Washington along with Blake Treinen and Sheldon Neuse for Sean Doolittle and Ryan Madson...was originally drafted by the Nationals in the third round of the 2016 draft and made his professional debut in 2017...combined with the Gulf Coast Nationals, the Arizona League A's and Short-Season Single-A Vermont for a 2-1 record and a 1.66 ERA in 12 games, including 11 starts... struck out 48 batters in 43.1 innings and walked just five for a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 9.6...average 1.04 walks per nine innings...surrendered just two home runs...was ranked as the A's third best prospect by Baseball America following the 2017 season.

#### LUZARDO'S 2018 SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
*March 6	Texas	5-3	S	0.00	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Totals (1 gan *indicates rel	0-0	0.00	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0		

#### #50 RAUL ALCÁNTARA RHP (1-0, 1 save, 4.50 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in four of his five appearances, including his last outing on Friday against Cleveland when he tossed a scoreless eighth inning (1.0 ip, 1 h)...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, 1 save, 1.80 ERA)

Did not allow a run over his first five appearances (4.0 ip) before yielding a run in the ninth inning in his last appearance on Friday against Cleveland (1.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 3 so)...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.

## #35 DANNY COULOMBE RHP (0-0, 3.60 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in four of his five appearances, including his last outing Thursday night against Seattle when he tossed a scoreless ninth inning (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 so)...opponents are 3-for-17 (.176) and he has walked just one while striking out seven in 5.0 innings...made a team-leading 72 appearances last year in his first full season in the majors and was 2-2 with a 3.48 ERA and .240 opponents batting average...ranked fifth in the American League in games pitched...tossed just 51.2 innings as he pitched fewer than one inning in 42 of his 72 appearances...averaged 12.6 pitches per game, which was fourth lowest among AL relievers...had a 1.78 ERA and .198 opponents batting average over his first 31 games through June 24...then logged a 5.13 ERA and .277 opponents batting average over his final 41 contests...his opponents batting average broke down to .214 (22-for-103) against left-handed

hitters compared to .270 (24-for-89) against right-handers...surrendered three of his four home runs to righties...had a .596 OPS against lefties, .851 against righties...allowed 15-of-49 (30.6%) inherited runners to score and had the seventh most inherited runners in the AL.

#### #68 KYLE FINNEGAN RHP (0-0, 9.00 ERA)

Did not allow a run over his first three appearances (2.1 ip) but then allowed three runs in his last outing on Tuesday at Kansas City (0.2 ip, 3 h, 3 r, 3 er, 1 hr)...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, 1.50 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in five of his six appearances, including his last outing yesterday against Seattle (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 so)...opponents are 3-for-21 (.143) and he has walked just one batter in 6.0 innings...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.

# #31 LIAM HENDRIKS RHP (1-0, 6.75 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in his last three appearances (2.0 ip, 2 h, 2 bb, 1 so) after allowing at least one run in each of his first two outings (3 er in 2.0 ip, 13.50 ERA)...last pitched on Friday against Cleveland when he tossed a scoreless seventh inning for the win (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 bb, 1 so)...was 4-2 with a save and a 4.22 ERA in a career-high 70 games in 2017...also had career highs in strikeouts (78), saves and wild pitches (6) and a career-low in opponents batting average (.229)...his average of 3.23 walks per nine innings was a career high...tossed 64.0 innings after pitching 64.2 innings in each of the previous two seasons...tied for eighth in the American League in games pitched...tied for eighth among AL relievers in runs allowed (34), ranked 10th in pitches (1164) and tied for 10th in earned runs (30)...logged a 5.40 ERA and .260 opponents batting average in 38 games before the All-Star Break...then posted a 2.63 ERA and .182 opponents average in 32 games after the break...his opponents batting average broke down to .206 against left-handed hitters, .243 against right-handers...first batters faced hit .190 but he walked seven, which tied for seventh most in the AL.

### UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 18 vs. Chicago (AL)

White Sox: RHP James Shields, RHP Michael Kopech, LHP Xavier Cedeno

March 19 at Los Angeles (NL)

A's: RHP Kendall Graveman, RHP Emilio Pagán, LHP Danny Coulombe Dodgers: LHP Alex Wood, RHP Pedro Baez, RHP Kenley Jansen

March 20 vs. Los Angeles (NL)

A's: RHP Paul Blackburn, LHP Ryan Buchter, RHP Yusmeiro Petit Dodgers: RHP Kenta Maeda, RHP Wilmer Font

# 2018 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

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DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.
Feb. 23	Los Angeles (AL)	W, 9-8	1-0	Alcántara	Pinder	4,315	4,315	March 13	at Kansas City	W, 9-8	9-7-2	Graveman	Duffy	5,297	
Feb. 24	San Diego	W, 8-3	2-0	Hatcher	Lockett	3,522	7,837	March 14	OFF DAY						
Feb. 25	Kansas City	T, 4-4	2-0-1	_	_	4,144	11,981	March 15	Seattle	L, 2-6	9-8-2	Miranda	Puk	8,143	60,158
Feb. 26	at Chicago (AL)	L, 6-7	2-1-1	Kopech	Graveman	2,826		March 16	Cleveland	W, 7-3	10-8-2	Hendriks	Torres	10,012*	70,170
Feb. 27	at Cleveland	L, 8-16	2-2-1	DeMasi	Wahl	2,275		March 17	Seattle (SS)	L, 1-4	10-9-2	Misiewicz	Buchter	6,330	76,500
Feb. 28	at Chicago (NL)	L, 5-7	2-3-1	Hendricks	Blackburn	8,313			at San Francisco (SS)	W, 8-3	11-9-2	Triggs	Blach	12,045	
March 1	Texas	L, 4-9	2-4-1	Blackburn	Cotton	3,043	15,024	DATE	OPPONENT	TIA	AE RADI	O/TV			
March 2	OFF DAY							March 18	Chicago (AL)	1:05 p	m (95.7	FM The Gam	e/A's Radio	Network)	
March 3	San Diego	L, 4-10	2-5-1	Lyles	Graveman	5,251	20,275	March 19	at Los Angeles (NL)	7:05 p	m				
March 4	at San Diego	W, 12-4	3-5-1	Montas	Richard	4,676		March 20	Los Angeles (NL)	1:05 p	m				
March 5	Chicago (AL)	T, 9-9	3-5-2	_	_	4,302	24,577	March 21	at Milwaukee	1:05 p	m				
March 6	Texas	W, 5-3	4-5-2	Triggs	Rodriguez	3,731	28,308	March 22	Colorado	1:05 p	m				
March 7	at Seattle	W, 7-3	5-5-2	Bassitt	Phelps	4,571		March 23	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:05 p	m				
March 8	Los Angeles (AL)	W, 7-3	6-5-2	Wahl	Middleton	5,239	33,547	March 24	Milwaukee	12:05 p	m				
March 9	at Milwaukee	W, 2-0	7-5-2	Puk	Gallardo	4,990		March 25	San Francisco (at Oal	() 1:05 p	m (NBC	SCA/95.7 FM	The Game/	A's Radio N	etwork)
March 10	at Texas	L, 2-8	7-6-2	Minor	Blackburn	5,239		March 26	at San Francisco (at S	F) 7:15 p	m (95.7	FM The Gam	e/A's Radio	Network)	
March 11	Chicago (NL)	W, 7-2	8-6-2	Manaea	Ryan	10,029*	43,576	March 27	at San Francisco (at S	F) 6:05 p	m (A's R	adio Networl	()		
March 12	San Francisco	L, 5-6	8-7-2	Gomez	Gossett	8,539	52,015								