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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (12-12-2) VS. COLORADO ROCKIES (10-14-2)

THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2018 – HOHOKAM PARK – 1:05 P.M. MST A'S WEBCAST

ABOUT THE A'S: Have lost each of the last three games, which marks the A's second losing streak of the spring (5, Feb. 23-March 3)...are 5-7 over the last 12 games after going 5-0-1 over the previous six contests...are 12-12-2 (.500) overall...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 2009-11 when they had three straight...the A's pitching staff has compiled a 4.07 ERA (64 er in 141.2 ip) over the last 16 games after posting a 7.45 ERA over the first 10 contests...have the second fewest strikeouts in the CL (210) and tied for third in fewest home runs allowed (30)...the A's committed two errors yesterday for their second multiple error game of the spring...have 18 errors overall, which is tied for second fewest in the majors (STL, 16)...the offense has struck out 198 times, which is second fewest in the CL (LAA, 187)... are tied for second in fewest hit by pitches (8) and most sacrifice flies (13) and tied for the third in fewest doubles (45)...have hit 40 home runs, which matches their spring total from last year...have not hit more than 40 spring home runs since 2004 when they had 50...are 7-6-2 at Hohokam and 5-6 on the road...now have a record of 35-21-5 (.615) at Hohokam Park since moving back to Mesa in 2015...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).

YESTERDAY: The A's lost to the Brewers at Maryvale, 4-3...Franklin Barreto had a two-run single in the fifth inning and Chad Pinder led off the sixth with a home run to give Oakland a 3-0 lead...Daniel Mengden (6.1 ip, 5 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 bb, 3 so) started for the A's and shutout Milwaukee on two hits and a walk over the first five innings before allowing two runs in the bottom sixth...Yusmeiro Petit recorded the final two outs of the seventh inning but Liam Hendriks allowed the tying run to score in the eighth...Raul Alcántara then surrendered a run in the bottom of the ninth for the loss...Barreto and Sheldon Neuse had two hits each for the A's.

A's vs. ROCKIES: This is the first and only meeting between the A's and Rockies this spring...Oakland lost both games last spring, dropping a 4-3 decision at Hohokam March 14 and a 9-2 decision at Salt River Fields March 19...had won eight of 10 from the Rockies during the spring prior to that.

PLAYER NOTES: Franklin Barreto had his fourth multiple hit game yesterday at Milwaukee and is now 8-for-24 (.333) over his last seven games...is tied for fifth in the Cactus League in triples (2) and tied for eighth in runs (11)... has appeared in 11 games at second base and six at shortstop...is batting .306 and now has a .368 (28-for-76) average over the last two springs...Mark Canha is 1-for-9 (.111) over his last four games after going 10-for-20 (.500) over his previous eight contests...has appeared in 13 games at first base, three in left field and two in right field....Matt Chapman is 5-for-16 (.313) with two doubles and a home run over his last seven games after going 0-for-14 over his first five contests...*Khris Davis* went 1-for-3 yesterday at Milwaukee after going 0-for-12 over his previous five contests...had his first single of the spring yesterday after collecting extra base hits for each of his first four hits (one triple, three home runs)...has appeared in eight games at designated hitter and seven in left field...is batting .125 and is a .185 (15-for-81) hitter over the last two springs... Dustin Fowler is 3-for-22 (.136) over his last nine games...has played exclusively in center field on defense... Matt Joyce started in left field yesterday in his first action in the outfield since March 1...each of his previous six games had came as the designated hitter...has appeared in seven games at DH, two in right field and two in left field...hit his first two home runs Sunday against the White Sox, including a grand slam, and had five RBI...is 5-for-14 (.357) with four runs, one double, one triple, two home runs and six RBI over his last four games...is batting .212 and had a .202 (16for-79) average in two springs with the A's...*Jed Lowrie* is 3-for-13 (.231) over his last five games...*Jonathan Lucroy* made his first appearance in a CL game last Saturday against Seattle and is 0-for-9 with a walk in three games, all at catcher...Bruce Maxwell has hit safely in each of his last seven games (7-for-19, .368) after going 3-for-13 (.231) over his first six contests...Sheldon Neuse (NR) has four straight multiple hit games (8-for-14, .571) and is now 12-for-21 (.571) with two doubles, three home runs, 10 RBI and five multiple hit games over his last seven games...ranks fourth in the CL in slugging (.680), tied for fourth in RBI (15), tied for sixth in home runs (5) and eighth in onbase percentage (.383)...has appeared in 15 games at third base, four at designated by ignated hitter, two at second base and one at shortstop...Renato Núñez has not played since Feb. 24 due to a strained left hamstring and will start the season on the disabled list... Matt Olson is 8-for-25 (.320) over his last nine games and six of the hits are doubles...had just two doubles in 59 regular season games with Oakland last year...is tied for fourth in the CL in doubles

(6)...Josh Phegley broke two fingers on his right hand last Saturday against Seattle and will start the season on the disabled list...Chad Pinder has homered in back-to-back games...is 3-for-14 (.214) over his last four games...has played every position except pitcher, catcher and center field this spring (five games in left field, three at third base, three at second base, two at short-stop, two at first base and one in right field)...Stephen Piscotty has hit safely in each of his last six games (8-for-18, .444) after going 3-for-18 (.167) over his first seven contests...has appeared exclusively in right field on defense... Boog Powell is 6-for-14 (.429) over his last six games after going 4-for-23 (.174) over his first 10 contests...has appeared in nine games in center field, three in right field and three in left field...Marcus Semien is 2-for-22 (.091) over his last seven games after hitting safely in each of his first eight contests (11-for-22, .500)...does not have an extra base hit...Jake Smolinski is 3-for-19 (.158) over his last six games after hitting .333 over his first 11 contests...has appeared in eight games in center field, seven in right field, three in left field and one at designated hitter...Beau Taylor (NR) is 0-for-7 over his last seven games after going 4-for-7 (571) over his first five contests.

IN CAMP: After optioning Dustin Garneau to Triple-A Nashville today, the A's now have 35 active players in camp, which does not include one player on the 60-day disabled list (Cotton) and three who will start the year on the DL (Dull, Núñez, Phegley)...the total includes 32 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and three non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 18 pitchers, three catchers, seven infielders and seven outfielders.

OPENING DAY: Opening Day is a week from today at 1:05 against the Los Angeles Angels in Oakland...it marks the first time since 1994 and just the second time over the last 41 years the A's will play a day game for their home opener...Kendall Graveman has been named the A's Opening Day starter for the second consecutive season...Oakland has won two of its last three openers, including a 4-2 decision over the Angels last year...the season-opening four-game series with Los Angeles continues on Friday, March 30 at 7:05 when the A's will honor their 50th Anniversary Team...the games on Saturday and Sunday will start at 1:05.

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 has three remaining broadcasts this spring, all against the Giants in the Bay Area...flagship station 95.7 FM The Game will carry the first two games on March 25 and 26...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 Cactus League games 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...the Giants will televise the other two games against the A's 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

March 19 Free agent Trevor Cahill agrees to terms on a one-year contract; Jharel Cotton placed on the 60-day disabled list (sprained right ulnar collateral ligament)

March 21 Dustin Garneau optioned to Nashville

TODAY'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

STARTING PITCHER #60 ANDREW TRIGGS RHP (2-0, 1 save, 4,70 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his sixth appearance and third start of the spring...retired the first batter he faced in his last outing last Saturday at San Francisco before walking Belt to snap a streak of 21 consecutive batters retired...allowed three runs in 1.2 innings in his first outing but has a 3.29 ERA (5 er in 13.2 ip) in four games since then...opponents are hitting .176 (9-for-51)... was on the A's Opening Day roster last year and went 5-6 with a 4.27 ERA in 12 starts before his season ended June 10 with a hip injury...had surgery to repair the labrum in his left hip July 13...was 5-2 with a 2.12 ERA and .209 opponents batting average over his first eight starts...then went 0-4 with a 9.64 ERA and .381 opponents average over his final four starts...allowed a .266 opponents batting average, which included .215 (23-for-107) against left-handed hitters compared to .302 (45-for-149) against right-handers... despite missing 3½ months of the season, he tied for seventh in the American League in unearned runs (11) and stolen bases allowed (15)...held the opposition to a .211 batting average with two outs but surrendered six of his nine home runs in that situation...allowed a .188 average against the opponents clean-up hitter and has a .175 (10-for-57) average in that situation in his career...opponents were 3-for-8 (.375) with a triple and two home runs with the bases loaded...the two grand slams tied for the most in the majors.

TRIGGS' 2018 SPRING TRAINING APPEARANCES												
Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	HR	
Feb. 24	San Diego	8-3	-	16.20	1.2	3	3	3	1	2	1	
*March 1	Texas	4-9	-	7.71	3.0	2	2	1	0	3	0	
*March 6	Texas	5-3	W	6.23	4.0	2	2	2	1	3	0	
*March 11	Chicago (NL)	7-2	-	4.63	3.0	0	0	0	0	4	0	
March 17	at San Francisco	8-3	W	4.70	3.2	2	2	2	3	4	0	
	mes, 2 start) elief appearance	2-0	4.70	15.1	9	9	8	5	16	1		

#53 TREVOR CAHILL RHP (4-3, 4.93 ERA in 2017)

Signed with the A's as a free agent on March 19 and will be making his first appearance of the spring...began the 2017 season with San Diego and was 4-3 with a 3.69 ERA in 11 starts when he was traded to Kansas City on July 24 with Ryan Buchter and Brandon Maurer for Matt Strahm, Travis Wood, Esteury Ruiz and cash considerations...he went 0-0 with an 8.22 ERA in 10 games. three starts, with the Royals and combined for a 4-3 record and a 4.93 ERA in 21 games, 14 starts...struck out 87 batters in 84.0 innings...was originally selected by Oakland in the second round of the 2006 draft and made his Major League debut with the A's in 2009 at the age of 21...compiled a 40-35 record and a 3.91 ERA in 96 games, all starts, in three seasons with Oakland, including an All-Star selection in 2010...was traded to Arizona following the 2011 season with Craig Breslow for Ryan Cook, Collin Cowgill and Jarrod Parker and has gone 33-44 with a 4.29 ERA in 187 games, 92 starts, since then with Arizona (2012-14), Atlanta (2015), Chicago-NL (2015-16), San Diego (2017) and Kansas City (2017)...is 73-79 with a 4.11 ERA in 281 games, 188 starts, in his nine-year career.

67 SIMON CASTRO RHP (0-0, 1 save, 2,70 FRA)

Has allowed one run in each of his last two outings (2 er in 2.2 ip, 6.75 ERA) after surrendering no runs over his first five appearances (4.0 ip)...last pitched on Tuesday against Los Angeles-NL (1.2 ip, 3 h, 1 r, 1 er, 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 (21for-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).

#35 DANNY COULOMBE RHP (0-0, 2.84 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in six of his seven appearances, including his last outing Monday night at Los Angeles-NL (0.2 ip)...opponents are 3-for-20 (.150) and he has walked just one while striking out seven in 6.1 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 (22for-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...first batters faced hit .238 but he walked eight and hit one for a .333 on-base percentage.

47 FRANKIE MONTAS RHP (1-0, 8.31 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his third appearance of the spring, his first since March 4...started in each of his first two outings...picked up the win March 4 at San Diego (2.1 ip, 4 h, 2 r, 2 er, 3 bb, 3 so) after logging a no decision Feb. 27 at Cleveland (2.0 ip, 3 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 so)...was on the A's Opening Day roster last year and compiled a 7.03 ERA and .302 opponents batting average in 23 games over two stints with Oakland...also went 0-2 with a 5.22 ERA in nine games, eight starts, with Triple-A Nashville before an oblique injury ended his season in mid-August...issued 20 walks in 32.0 innings (5.63 per nine innings) with the A's for a .408 opponents on-base percentage...had a .566 opponents slugging percentage and .974 OPS...the OPS was the highest in Oakland history by a reliever, the slugging percentage was second highest and the on-base percentage was third highest...had the highest OPS and on-base percentage among Major League relievers in 2017...had the second highest opponents slugging percentage among AL relievers and the sixth highest opponents batting average...struck out 36 for an average of 10.13 strikeouts per nine innings...allowed 10 home runs, an average of 2.81 home runs per nine innings.

#15 EMILIO PAGÁN RHP (0-1, 3.86 ERA)

Allowed two runs in the seventh innings of his last outing Monday night at Los Angeles (NL) and took the loss (1.0 ip, 2 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 so, 2 hr)...had not allowed a run in 3.0 innings over his previous three appearances...opponents are 4-for-24 (.167) and he has not walked a batter in 7.0 innings...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.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 22 vs. Colorado

Rockies: RHP Chad Bettis, LHP Chris Rusin, RHP Adam Ottavino, RHP Wade Davis

March 23 at Los Angeles (AL)

A's: TBA (all pitchers will be from minor league camp)

Angels: TBA

March 24 vs. Milwaukee

A's: RHP Santiago Casilla, LHP Ryan Buchter

Brewers: TBA

2018 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

							HOME								HOME
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	March 18	Chicago (AL)	W, 14-0	12-9-2	Luzardo	Shields	6,227	82,727
March 2	OFF DAY							March 19	at Los Angeles (NL)	L, 1-3	12-10-2	Chargois	Pagán	8,535	
March 3	San Diego	L, 4-10	2-5-1	Lyles	Graveman	5,251	20,275	March 20	Los Angeles (NL)	L, 2-8	12-11-2	Maeda	Blackburn	7,227	90,054
March 4	at San Diego	W, 12-4	3-5-1	Montas	Richard	4,676		March 21	at Milwaukee	L, 3-4	12-12-2	Hader	Alcántara	4,371	
March 5	Chicago (AL)	T, 9-9	3-5-2	_	_	4,302	24,577	DATE	OPPONENT TIME RADIO/TV						
March 6	Texas	W, 5-3	4-5-2	Triggs	Rodriguez	3,731	28,308	March 22	Colorado	1:05	pm				
March 7	at Seattle	W, 7-3	5-5-2	Bassitt	Phelps	4,571		March 23	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:05	pm				
March 8	Los Angeles (AL)	W, 7-3	6-5-2	Wahl	Middleton	5,239	33,547	March 24	Milwaukee	12:05	pm				
March 9	at Milwaukee	W, 2-0	7-5-2	Puk	Gallardo	4,990		March 25	San Francisco (at Oa	k) 1:05	pm (NBC	SCA/95.7 FM	The Game/A	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	SF) 7:15	pm (95.7	FM The Gam	e/A's Radio N	Network)	
March 11	Chicago (NL)	W, 7-2	8-6-2	Manaea	Ryan	10,029*	43,576	March 27	at San Francisco (at S	SF) 6:05	pm (A's R	adio Networl	()		
March 12	San Francisco	L, 5-6	8-7-2	Gomez	Gossett	8,539	52,015								