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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (14-15-2) VS. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS (14-16-2)

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2018 – AT&T PARK – 6:05 P.M. PDT A'S RADIO NETWORK – NBCSBA PLUS

ABOUT THE A'S: Have lost six of the last eight games and are 14-15-2 (.484) entering the final game of the spring tonight...need a win to avoid finishing with a losing record for the third consecutive spring...have finished with three or more straight losing springs just twice in Oakland history (1974-77 and 2009-11)...the A's defense has turned 38 double plays, which is the most in the CL and tied for second most in the majors...the offense has the third fewest strikeouts in the AL (245), the fourth lowest on-base percentage (.327) and the fourth fewest doubles (57)...lead the majors in sacrifice flies (16) and are tied for the fewest hit by pitches (8)...have hit 44 home runs, which are the most by an A's team since 2004 when they had 50...the A's pitching staff has compiled a 3.84 ERA (80 er in 187.2 ip) over the last 21 games after posting a 7.45 ERA over the first 10 contests...have the fourth fewest strikeouts in the CL (256)...this was 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 included 29 games in Arizona and these three in the Bay Area against the Giants (March 25-27).

YESTERDAY: The A's defeated the Giants at AT&T Park by a score of 9-2 in 10 innings...it marked the A's first extra inning game during the spring since March 6, 2014 when they played to an 8-8, 10-inning tie against Arizona at Salt River Fields...Daniel Mengden (3.0 ip, 3 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 3 so) started for the A's and allowed a run in the second inning but Oakland came back to tie the game in the third on a Matt Chapman home run...Mark Canha homered in the fifth to give the A's a 2-1 lead and Ryan Buchter, Emilio Pagán, Chris Hatcher and Santiago Casilla tossed a scoreless inning of relief each before Blake Treinen allowed the tying run to score in the eighth...J.B. Wendelken blanked the Giants in the ninth and picked up the win after Oakland scored seven times in the 10th...Canha had a RBI single for his fourth hit of the night to give the A's the lead, Bruce Maxwell added a two-run single, Franklin Barreto a RBI single, Khris Davis a two-run double and Dustin Fowler a sacrifice fly...Jake Sanchez retired the side in order in the bottom of the 10th.

A's vs. GIANTS: This is the fifth and final meeting between the A's and Giants this spring...the A's have won both road games, winning 8-3 at Scottsdale on March 17 and 9-2 in 10 innings last night at San Francisco...lost at Mesa 6-5 on March 12 and in Oakland on Saturday, 5-1...the loss in Mesa snapped the A's nine-game winning streak against the Giants in Arizona (currently have a six-game winning streak at Scottsdale)...went 2-3 against the Giants last spring, winning 5-4 in Scottsdale on Feb. 27 and 6-1 in Mesa on March 3...lost both games in San Francisco on March 30 (3-0) and 31 (2-1) and also lost 6-3 in Oakland on April 1...Oakland is now 21-11 over its last 32 spring games against the Giants.

PLAYER NOTES: Franklin Barreto is 10-for-32 (.313) over his last 12 games...is tied for fifth in the Cactus League in triples (2)...has appeared in 15 games at second base and nine at shortstop...leads the A's in runs (12) and triples (2)... Mark Canha went 4-for-4 with a double and home run last night after going 2-for-12 (.167) over his previous seven contests...is tied for the team lead in hits (17)...has appeared in 18 games at first base, three in left field and two in right field... Matt Chapman is 8-for-28 (.286) over his last 11 games after going 0-for-14 over his first five contests...Khris Davis is 2-for-28 (.071) with 14 strikeouts over his last 10 games and is batting .113 in 19 games overall...five of his six hits are for extra bases (one double, one triple, three home runs)...despite collecting just six hits, he has 12 RBI...now has a .170 (16-for-94) average over the last two springs...has appeared in 11 games at designated hitter and eight in left field...leads the A's in strikeouts (19)... Dustin Fowler is 4-for-9 (.444) over his last four games after going 2-for-20 (.100) over his previous eight contests...has played exclusively in center field on defense... Slade Heathcott (minors) was a non-roster invitee before he was reassigned to the minor league camp March 18...is 4-for-7 (.571) over his last 10 games...is tied for sixth in the CL in stolen bases (5)...leads the A's in stolen bases and is tied for the lead in walks (6)... Matt Joyce started in left field last Wednesday at Milwaukee in his first action in the outfield since March 1... has made each of his last three starts in left field after making his previous six as the designated hitter...has appeared in eight games at DH, four in left field and two in right field...is 6-for-18 (.333) with four walks, one double, one triple, two home runs and six RBI over his last seven games...is tied for the team lead in walks (6)...is batting .216 and has a .205 (17-for-83) average in two springs with the A's... Steve Lombardozzi (minors) was a non-roster invitee before he was reassigned to minor league camp March 18...is 3-for-9 (.333) over his last seven games...Jed Lowrie is 9-for-27 (.333) over his last 11 games after going 2-for-13 (.154) over his first five contests...is tied for the team lead in walks (6)...Jonathan Lucroy signed with the A's on March 12 and made his first appearance in a CL game March 17...is 0-for-18 with a walk in seven games, all at catcher...Bruce Maxwell is 1-for-4 over his last three games after hitting safely in each of his previous nine contests (10-for-23, .435)...Sheldon Neuse (NR) is 1-for-8 over his last five games after going 12-for-21 (.571) over his previous seven contests...ranks eighth in the CL in slugging (.614), tied for eighth in RBI (15) and tied for ninth in home runs (5)...leads the A's in home runs, RBI and total bases (35) and is tied for the lead in hits (17) and walks (6)...has appeared in 19 games at third base, five 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 and will start the season on the disabled list... Matt Olson is 2-for-11 (.182) with six strikeouts over his last four games...leads the A's and is tied for eighth in the CL in doubles (6)...had just two doubles in 59 regular season games with Oakland last year...Josh Phegley broke two fingers on his right hand March 17 and will start the season on the disabled list... Chad Pinder is 3-for-21 (.143) over his last six games but two of the hits are home runs...has played every position except pitcher, catcher and center field this spring (eight games in left field, three at third base, three at second base, two at shortstop, two at first base and one in right field)...Stephen Piscotty is 11-for-28 (.393) over his last 10 games...has appeared exclusively in right field on defense...Boog Powell is 6-for-19 (.316) over his last 10 games after going 4-for-23 (.174) over his first 10 contests...has appeared in 12 games in center field, five in right field and three in left field... Marcus Semien is 4-for-14 (.286) with two doubles and a home run over his last four games after collecting no extra base hits over his first 15 contests...hit safely in his first eight games (11-for-22, .500) and then went 2-for-22 (.091) before his current four-game stretch...is tied for the team lead in hits (17)...Jake Smolinski is 3-for-13 (.231) over his last five games with all three hits being extra base hits last Friday at Los Angeles-AL (one double, one triple, one home run)...has appeared in nine games in center field, nine in right field, three in left field and one at designated hitter... Beau Taylor (NR) is 1-for-9 (.111) with a double over his last nine games after going 4-for-7 (571) over his first five contests.

IN CAMP: The A's have 34 active players in camp, which does not include one player on the 60-day disabled list (Cotton) and four who will start the year on the DL (Blackburn, Dull, Núñez, Phegley)...the total includes 31 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and three non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 17 pitchers, three catchers, seven infielders and seven outfielders.

OPENING DAY: Opening Day is this Thursday 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 and he will square off against Garrett Richards... 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 ON RADIO: The A's radio network will broadcast the final spring game... 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.

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 (2-1, 1 save, 4.35 ERA)

Is scheduled to make his seventh appearance and fourth start of the spring... has allowed five runs over his last three games (4 er in 12.0 ip, 3.00 ERA) after posting a 6.23 ERA over his first three contests...retired 21 consecutive batters over a three-game stretch from March 6-17...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	
March 22	Colorado	2-4	L	4.35	5.1	6	3	2	0	3	2	
Totals (6 ga	mes, 3 starts)	2-1	4.35	20.2	15	12	10	5	19	3		
*indicates re	elief appearance											

#53 TREVOR CAHILL RHP (0-0, 0.00 ERA)

Signed with the A's as a free agent on March 19 and made his first appearance of the spring last Thursday against Colorado when he pitched the final two innings (2.0 ip, 2 bb, 3 so)...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).

#67 SIMON CASTRO RHP (0-0, 1 save, 2.25 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in seven of his nine appearances this spring, including his last outing Sunday against San Francisco when he tossed a scoreless ninth inning (1.0 ip, 1 bb, 2 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 lefthanded 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, 2.45 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in his last six appearances (5.1 ip) and seven of eight this spring...last pitched on Sunday against San Francisco when he tossed a

scoreless sixth inning (1.0 ip, 1 bb, 1 so)...opponents are 3-for-23 (.130) with two walks...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...first batters faced hit .238 but he walked eight and hit one for a .333 on-base percentage...went 2-0 with a 2.25 ERA at home, 0-2 with a 5.49 ERA on the road.

#31 LIAM HENDRIKS RHP (1-0, 5.14 ERA)

Has not allowed a run in five of his last six appearances (1 er in 5.0 ip, 1.80 ERA) after allowing three runs in his first two outings (13.50 ERA)...last pitched on Sunday against San Francisco when he retired the side in order in the seventh inning (1.0 ip)...opponents are 11-for-29 (.379)...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 (20-for-97) against lefthanded hitters, .243 (37-for-152) against right-handers...first batters faced hit .190 but he walked seven, which tied for seventh most in the AL.

#47 FRANKIE MONTAS RHP (1-0, 8.44 ERA)

Pitched the seventh inning last Thursday against Colorado (1.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er) in his first appearance since March 4 at San Diego...has allowed at least one run in each of his three appearances and opponents are 9-for-23 (.391)... 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 onbase 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.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 27 at San Francisco Giants: RHP Chris Stratton

REGULAR SEASON PROBABLES

Thursday, March 29 vs. Los Angeles (AL) at 1:05 pm RHP Kendall Graveman vs. RHP Garrett Richards

Friday, March 30 vs. Los Angeles (AL) at 7:35 pm LHP Sean Manaea vs. LHP Tyler Skaggs

Saturday, March 31 vs. Los Angeles (AL) at 1:05 pm RHP Daniel Gosset vs. TBA

Sunday, April 1 vs. Los Angeles (AL) at 1:05 pm RHP Daniel Mengden vs. TBA

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	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	March 22	Colorado	L, 2-4	12-13-2	Bettis	Triggs	7,356	97,410
March 6	Texas	W, 5-3	4-5-2	Triggs	Rodriguez	3,731	28,308	March 23	at Los Angeles (AL)	W, 4-2	13-13-2	Luzardo	Lamb	7,434	
March 7	at Seattle	W, 7-3	5-5-2	Bassitt	Phelps	4,571		March 24	Milwaukee	L, 5-10	13-14-2	Chacin	Casilla	7,283	104,693
March 8	Los Angeles (AL)	W, 7-3	6-5-2	Wahl	Middleton	5,239	33,547	March 25	San Francisco (at OAK)	L, 1-9	13-15-2	Cueto	Gossett	21,229	
March 9	at Milwaukee	W, 2-0	7-5-2	Puk	Gallardo	4,990		March 26	at San Francisco (at SF)	N, 9-2 (10)	14-15-2	Wendelken	Snelten	32,707	
March 10	at Texas	L, 2-8	7-6-2	Minor	Blackburn	5,239		DATE	OPPONENT	TI	ME RADIO	O/TV			
March 11	Chicago (NL)	W, 7-2	8-6-2	Manaea	Ryan	10,029*	43,576	March 27	at San Francisco (at	SF) 6:05	pm (A's Ra	adio Networl	()		
March 12	San Francisco	L, 5-6	8-7-2	Gomez	Gossett	8,539	52,015								