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## OAKLAND ATHLETICS (4-5) VS. LOS ANGELES ANGELS (6-3)

SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2019 – TEMPE DIABLO STADIUM – 1:10 P.M. MST  
KTRB 860 AM — MLB NETWORK (TAPE DELAY TO MARCH 4 AT 7:00 AM MST)

**ABOUT THE A'S:** Have won three straight after losing four in a row and five of the first six...shutout Cleveland 1-0 yesterday...the A's have two 1-0 shutouts during the spring over the last 28 years and both have come against Cleveland (also Feb. 28, 2009)...have allowed 11 runs in the last four games (36.0 ip, 2.75 ERA) after yielding 17 on Tuesday against the Angels...have a 6.13 ERA, which is third highest in the Cactus League...the A's were held to three hits yesterday and now have a .232 batting average, which is second lowest in the CL (Milwaukee, .214)...have the lowest slugging percentage (.372), the second lowest OPS (.674), the third lowest on-base percentage (.302) and the third fewest runs scored (40)...are tied with the Angels for the most errors (9)...this is the A's 51st Spring Training in Arizona, their fifth 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...with the rainout Feb. 21, the A's are now scheduled to play 23 games this spring plus two exhibition games in Japan...the 23 games will be the fewest by an A's team during the spring since 1980 when they had 20...the total includes 20 games in Arizona and three in the Bay Area against the Giants (March 24-26)...went 14-16-2 (.469) last spring, which was the fifth worst record in the Cactus League...it marked the third consecutive year Oakland has finished with a losing record during the spring and it is the third time in Oakland history the A's have posted a losing record in at least three consecutive springs...also did it in three straight years from 2009-11 and four straight from 1974-77...the A's defense turned 39 double plays, which was second most in the majors (Atlanta, 42)...committed 24 errors, which tied for fourth fewest in the CL...the offense ranked third in the CL in fewest strikeouts (25), but were fourth in lowest on-base percentage (.325) and fewest doubles (59) and fifth in lowest batting average (.261)...hit 44 home runs, which were the most by an A's team during the spring since 2004 when they had 50...the pitching staff surrendered 38 home runs, which tied for fourth fewest in the CL, but issued 114 walks, which tied for second most.

**A's vs. ANGELS:** This is the second and final meeting between the A's and Angels this spring...Oakland lost the first game at Hohokam on Tuesday, 17-5...the A's won all three games last year to snap a five-game losing streak...won at Hohokam 9-8 on Feb. 23 and 7-3 on March 8...won 4-2 at Tempe on March 23.

**IN CAMP:** Following yesterday's roster moves, the A's now have 59 players in camp plus two on the 60-day disabled list (Gossett, Manaea)...the active total includes 39 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and 20 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 33 pitchers, six catchers, 11 infielders and nine outfielders.

**COACHING STAFF:** Manager Bob Melvin, beginning his eighth full season with the A's, returns his entire coaching staff...returning will be bench coach Ryan Christenson, hitting coach Darren Bush, pitching coach Scott Emerson, assistant hitting coach Mike Aldrete, first base coach Al Pedrique, third base coach Matt Williams, bullpen coach Marcus Jensen and quality control coach Mark Kotsay.

**CONTRACT STATUS:** The A's have three players under contract beyond the 2019 season...Joakim Soria and Mike Fiers are signed through 2020 and Stephen Piscotty is signed through 2022 with a club option for 2023...Yusmeiro Petit has a club option for 2020.

**HOW THE A'S WERE BUILT:** Of the 40 players on the 40-man roster, six were drafted by the A's (Bolt, 4th round in 2015; Chapman, 1st round in 2014; Dull, 32nd 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 (Barrera), seven were signed as free agents (Anderson, Estrada, Grossman Herrmann, Martini, Petit, Soria) and one was claimed off waivers (Triggs)...the other 25 were all acquired in trades.

**OFF SEASON MOVES:** The A's signed four free agents prior to the start of camp: Marco Estrada, Mike Fiers (re-signed with Oakland after he was non-tendered following the season), Chris Herrmann and Joakim Soria...the A's also acquired two players via trade, including Tanner Anderson (Pittsburgh, Nov. 20) and Jurickson Profar (Texas in three team trade, Dec. 21)...after pitchers and catchers reported, the A's signed Brett Anderson on Feb. 13 and Robbie Grossman on Feb. 15.

**NON-ROSTER INVITEES:** Following yesterday's roster moves, the Athletics now have 20 non-roster invitees remaining in Major League camp...the players include LHP Jerry Blevins, RHP Parker Bridwell, RHP Jake Buchanan, INF Eric Campbell, LHP Kyle Crockett, RHP Kyle Finnegan, C Jonah Heim, C Nick Hundley, INF Corban Joseph, LHP Dean Kiekhefer, LHP Kyle Lobstein, LHP Jesus Luzardo, C Sean Murphy, IF Sheldon Neuse, INF Cliff Pennington,

RHP Miguel Romero, RHP Norge Ruiz, RHP Brian Schlitter, C Beau Taylor and LHP Wei-Chung Wang...13 of the non-roster players have Major League experience (Blevins, Bridwell, Buchanan, Campbell, Crockett, Hundley, Joseph, Kiekhefer, Lobstein, Pennington, Schlitter, Taylor, Wang).

**MINOR LEAGUE DATES:** Minor League mini camp is underway...pitchers and catchers reported yesterday with the first workout scheduled for today...position players report Friday, March 8 with the first workout scheduled for March 9...games begin on Thursday, March 14 and minor league camp breaks on March 30.

**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 be posted at @AthleticsPR.

**A's SPRING BROADCASTS:** The A's will broadcast all Spring Training games on KTRB 860 AM...Ken Korach, Vince Cotroneo and Ray Fosse will call the action for most games...Coco Crisp will join the broadcast on Mar. 10 and Donny Baarns will fill in on selected games...the father and son duo of Vince and Dom Cotroneo will team up on March 11...NBCSBA will air two spring training games against San Francisco on March 10 and 24...Glen Kuiper joins Ray Fosse in the broadcast booth for those telecasts...NBCSBA will air the A's vs. Giants games on March 7 and 25...two remaining games (today and Mar. 6) will air on MLB Network on a tape delayed basis.

**A's IN JAPAN:** The A's will open the regular season at the Tokyo Dome in Japan with a two-game series against the Seattle Mariners on March 20 and 21...the club will fly to Japan on Thurs., March 14 and will play the Nippon Ham Fighters in exhibition games on March 17 and 18...the two regular season games against the Mariners will start at 2:35 am PDT and will air on ESPN...this will mark the third time the A's have opened the regular season in Japan...split a two-game series with Boston in 2008 and Seattle in 2012.

### SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.
Feb. 21	Seattle	Cancelled, Rain					
Feb. 22	at Seattle	L, 1-8	0-1	Leake	Mengden	5,298	
Feb. 23	Chicago (AL)	W, 6-5	1-1	Anderson	Thompson	3,906	3,906
Feb. 24	Kansas City	L, 5-14	1-2	McWilliams	Brooks	4,273	8,179
Feb. 25	at Arizona	L, 3-4	1-3	Owens	Buchanan	5,519	
Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL)	L, 5-17	1-4	Robles	Rodney	3,641	11,820
Feb. 27	Los Angeles (NL)	L, 3-5	1-5	Urias	Mengden	4,821	16,641
Feb. 28	at Chicago (NL)	W, 10-3	2-5	Bassitt	Tseng	10,573	
March 1	Colorado	W, 6-3	3-5	Brooks	Anderson	5,411	22,052
March 2	Cleveland	W, 1-0	4-5	Rodney	Bauer	6,682	28,734
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO/TV				
March 3	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:10	KTRB 860 AM/MLBN (March 4 @ 6:00 am PST)				
March 4	OFF DAY						
March 5	Texas	1:05	KTRB 860 AM				
March 6	at Seattle	6:40	KTRB 860 AM/MLBN (March 7 @ 12:00 am PST)				
March 7	at San Francisco	7:05	KTRB 860 AM/NBCSBA				
March 8	San Diego	1:05	KTRB 860 AM				
March 9	Milwaukee	1:05	KTRB 860 AM				
March 10	San Francisco at Chicago (AL)	1:05	KTRB 860 AM/NBCSBA				
March 11	at Colorado	1:10	KTRB 860 AM				
March 12	at San Diego	6:40	KTRB 860 AM				
March 13	Chicago (NL)	1:05	KTRB 860 AM				
March 17	Nippon (exhib.)	7:05	KTRB 860 AM (3:05 am PDT)				
March 18	Nippon (exhib.)	12:05	KTRB 860 AM (8:05 pm PDT on March 17)				
March 24	San Francisco (at OAK)	1:05	KTRB 860 AM/NBCSBA				
March 25	at San Francisco (at SF)	6:45	KTRB 860 AM/NBCSBA				
March 26	at San Francisco (at SF)	6:45	KTRB 860 AM				

All times local.

### TRANSACTIONS

- Feb. 13 Free agent Brett Anderson agrees to terms on a one-year contract; Sean Manaea placed on the 60-day disabled list (shoulder surgery rehab)
- Feb. 15 Free agent Robbie Grossman agrees to terms on a one-year contract; Daniel Gossett placed on the 60-day disabled list (UCL surgery rehab)
- March 2 James Kaprielian optioned to Las Vegas; Tyler Alexander, Parker Dunshee and A.J. Puk reassigned to minor league camp

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## ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

**#79 LUIS BARRERA:** Is one of four Athletics to appear in all nine games this spring (Bolt, Campbell, Neuse)...combined to hit .296 with 26 doubles, 11 triples, three home runs, 64 RBI and 23 stolen bases in 124 games with Single-A Stockton and Double-A Midland last year...tied for seventh in all of minor league baseball in triples.

**#1 FRANKLIN BARRETO:** Is tied for the Cactus League lead in hits (8) and doubles (3), ranks second in batting (.471) and runs (6), tied for second in extra base hits (4), third in on-base percentage (.526) and OPS (1.350), fourth in slugging (.824) and tied for fifth in total bases (14)...has struck out just three times in 19 plate appearances...struck out in his only at bat yesterday to snap a six-game hitting streak (8-for-14, .571)...has appeared in three games at second base, two in left field, two in center field and one at shortstop...had six stints with Oakland in 2018 and batted .233 with five home runs and 16 RBI in 32 games.

**#72 SKYE BOLT:** Is one of four Athletics to appear in all eight games this spring (Barrera, Campbell, Neuse)...began the 2018 season at Double-A Midland but also had a 46-game stay with Single-A Stockton from April 23 to June 16...combined with both clubs to hit .260 with 19 home runs and 69 RBI in 124 games...was named an A's Organization All-Star by milb.com.

**#20 MARK CANHA:** Has appeared in three games at first base, one in center field and one at designated hitter...started games at five different positions for the A's last year and batted .249 with a career-high 17 home runs and 52 RBI in 122 games...hit 13 of his 17 home runs against left-handed pitchers, which tied for second most in the American League.

**#26 MATT CHAPMAN:** Went 0-for-2 with a walk in his first game of the spring Wednesday against the Dodgers, a start at designated hitter...has made his last two starts at third base...earned the American League Gold Glove for third baseman last year, the Platinum Glove for all AL fielders and was named Defensive Player of the Year by Wilson...hit .278 with 24 home runs and 68 RBI in 145 games.

**#2 CHRIS DAVIS:** Is the only Athletics non-pitcher that has yet to play in a game...hit a Major League leading and career-high 48 home runs and ranked second with a career-high 123 RBI last year...became the 22nd player in ML history with at least three straight seasons of 40 home runs and 100 RBI, the second Athletic (Jimmie Foxx).

**#11 DUSTIN FOWLER:** Has hit safely in each of his last five games (5-for-14, .357) after going 0-for-4 over his first three...batted .224 with six home runs and 23 RBI in 69 games over two stints with Oakland last year...made 45 starts, all in games started by a right-handed pitcher.

**#17 ROBBIE GROSSMAN:** Has appeared exclusively in left field on defense this spring...was signed as a free agent, Feb. 15...batted .273 with five home runs and a career-high 48 RBI in a career-high 129 games with Minnesota last year...added 60 walks for a .367 on-base percentage, which was 10th best in the American League among players with at least 450 plate appearances.

**#5 CHRIS HERRMANN:** Had two hits and two RBI Thursday at Chicago (NL)...was signed as a free agent, Dec. 11...started the 2018 season at Triple-A Tacoma before joining Seattle May 27...batted .237 with seven RBI in 36 games with the Mariners...added 10 walks for a .322 on-base percentage.

**#22 RAMON LAUREANO:** Had two hits, including his first home run, Thursday at Chicago (NL)...spent the first four months of the 2018 season with Triple-A Nashville where he batted .297 with a career-high 14 home runs and 35 RBI in 64 games...was recalled by Oakland Aug. 3 and hit .288 with five home runs and 19 RBI in 48 games in his Major League debut.

**#13 JORGE MATEO:** Is 0-for-4 over his last three games but has three walks...spent the entire 2018 season at Nashville in his Triple-A debut and batted .230 with three home runs and 45 RBI in 131 games...led all of the minors with 16 triples and ranked fifth in the Pacific Coast League in steals (25).

**#28 MATT OLSON:** Started the spring 0-for-12 before delivering a two-run single in the fourth inning Friday against Colorado...played in all 162 games last year and batted .247 with 29 home runs and 84 RBI in his first full season in the majors...also won the American League Gold Glove Award for first basemen...led AL first baseman in home runs.

**#19 JOSH PHEGLEY:** Went 3-for-4 Thursday at Chicago (NL) after going 1-for-5 (.200) over his first three games...spent most of the first two months of the 2018 season at Triple-A Nashville, where he batted .235 with three home runs and 18 RBI in 36 games...spent the final four months with Oakland and hit .204 with two home runs and 15 RBI in 39 contests with the A's.

**#18 CHAD PINDER:** Is tied for the Cactus League lead in doubles (3)...has appeared in four games at third base and two at designated hitter...batted .258 with 13 home runs and 27 RBI in 110 games last year in a season interrupted by two stints on the disabled list...became the first player in Oakland history to start at least one game at seven different positions.

**#25 STEPHEN PISCOTTY:** Had two hits and two RBI Tuesday against Los Angeles (AL)...batted .267 with 41 doubles, 27 home runs and 88 RBI in 151 games in his first season with Oakland last year...had career highs in doubles, home runs, RBI, extra base hits (68) and total bases (268).

**#23 JURICKSON PROFAR:** Went 2-for-3 with his first home run of the spring Friday against Colorado after going 1-for-10 (.100) over his first four games...was acquired from Texas Dec. 21 in a three-team, seven-player trade...had career highs in nearly every offensive category last year as he batted .254 with 20 home runs and 77 RBI in 146 games...was one of just five players in the AL with at least 35 doubles, 20 home runs, 75 RBI and 10 steals.

**#10 MARCUS SEMIEN:** Batted .255 with 15 home runs and 70 RBI in 159 games last year...had career highs in runs (89), hits (161), doubles (35), walks

(61) and stolen bases (14) and matched his high in games...had his fourth consecutive season with 10 or more home runs and 10 or more stolen bases.

## TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

**#21 RHP MARCO ESTRADA:** Is scheduled to make his first Cactus League appearance of the spring...signed with the A's as a free agent Jan. 25...went 7-14 with a 5.64 ERA in 28 starts with Toronto last year after going 32-26 with a 3.88 ERA and .222 opponents average in 96 games, 90 starts, over his first three seasons with the Blue Jays from 2015-17.

## ALSO AVAILABLE TO PITCH

**#53 RHP TANNER ANDERSON:** Was acquired from the Pittsburgh Pirates Nov. 20 for a player to be named later (Wilkin Ramos on Dec. 1)...made his Major League debut with Pittsburgh last year and went 1-0 with a 6.35 ERA in six relief appearances over three stints with the Pirates...was 3-2 with six saves and a 2.64 ERA in 39 appearances with Indianapolis, all in relief.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 23	Chicago (AL)	R	6-5	W	0.00	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	0
Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL)	R	5-17	-	3.00	2.0	2	1	1	0	1	1
<b>Totals (2 games, 0 starts)</b>					<b>1-0</b>	<b>3.00</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

**#77 RHP PARKER BRIDWELL (NR):** Claimed off waivers from Los Angeles (AL) Jan. 22 and outrighted to Triple-A Las Vegas Jan. 25...combined to pitch in just 11 games with the Angels and Triple-A Salt Lake last year...missed four months of the season due to two stints on the Bees disabled list with an inflamed right elbow.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 23	Chicago (AL)	R	6-5	-	9.00	1.0	2	1	1	0	0	0
Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL)	R	5-17	-	54.00	0.0	2	5	5	3	0	0
<b>Totals (2 games, 0 starts)</b>					<b>0-0</b>	<b>54.00</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**#15 RHP JAMES BUCHANAN (NR):** Signed to a minor league contract Nov. 12...spent the entire 2018 season at Triple-A Reno in the Arizona organization and was 11-9 with a 5.17 ERA in 27 games, including 26 starts...ranked second in the Pacific Coast League in innings pitched (156.2), third in wins and tied for third in games started.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 22	at Seattle	R	1-8	-	0.00	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	0
Feb. 25	at Arizona	R	3-4	-	3.86	1.1	1	1	1	0	0	0
<b>Totals (2 games, 0 starts)</b>					<b>0-0</b>	<b>3.86</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

**#67 RHP GRANT HOMES:** Has not pitched in a Cactus League game this spring...missed nearly the entire 2018 season due to a strained right shoulder...was reinstated from the disabled list Aug. 29 and went 0-0 with a 4.50 ERA and .174 opponents batting average in two regular season starts with Single-A Stockton...also tossed 4.0 scoreless and hitless innings in one post-season start.

**#70 RHP NORGE RUIZ (NR):** Made his Double-A and Triple-A debut in his second professional season last year with Midland and Nashville...combined with both clubs to go 6-10 with a 4.89 ERA in 24 games, including 23 starts...tied for third in the Texas League in fewest walks per nine innings (2.53) and ranked fifth in ERA (4.69).

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 24	Kansas City	R	5-14	-	18.00	1.0	2	2	2	2	1	0
Feb. 27	Los Angeles (NL)	R	3-5	-	22.50	1.0	3	3	3	0	1	0
<b>Totals (2 games, 0 starts)</b>					<b>0-0</b>	<b>22.50</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

**#49 RHP BRIAN SCHLITZER (NR):** Has not allowed a run in three appearances (2.0 ip)...spent the entire 2018 season at Triple-A Oklahoma City in the Los Angeles Dodgers organization where he went 7-2 with 21 saves and a 3.36 ERA in 58 relief appearances...led the Pacific Coast League in games pitched and ranked second in saves...tied for ninth among all minor leaguers in saves.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 22	at Seattle	R	1-8	-	0.00	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feb. 24	Kansas City	R	5-14	-	0.00	0.2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL)	R	5-17	-	0.00	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0
<b>Totals (3 games, 0 starts)</b>					<b>0-0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>

## UPCOMING PROBABLES

### March 3 at Los Angeles (AL)

**Angels:** RHP Daniel Hudson, LHP Dan Jennings, RHP Cam Bedrosian, RHP Justin Anderson

### March 4 OFF DAY

### March 5 vs. Texas

**A's:** LHP Jesús Luzardo, RHP Daniel Mengden, RHP Yusmeiro Petit, RHP Blake Treinen, LHP Jerry Blevins, RHP Joakim Soria, LHP Wei-Chung Wang, RHP J.B. Wendelken

**Rangers:** LHP Drew Smyly, RHP Jason Hammel, RHP Ariel Jurado, RHP Luke Farrell, RHP Ariel Hernandez

### March 6 at Seattle

**A's:** LHP Brett Anderson, RHP Chris Bassitt, RHP Lou Trivino, RHP Fernando Rodney, RHP Andrew Triggs

**Mariners:** TBA