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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (7-6) VS. SAN DIEGO PADRES (8-4-2)

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2019 – HOHOKAM PARK – 1:05 P.M. MST
KTRB 860 AM

ABOUT THE A'S: Have won three straight and six of the last seven games after starting the spring 1-5...are 7-6 overall, which marks the first time the A's have been above .500 this spring...have seven more games in Arizona before leaving for Japan next Thursday...are scheduled to play 23 games this spring (have three in the Bay Area against San Francisco after the trip to Japan), plus two exhibition games in Tokyo...the 23 games will be the fewest by an A's team during the spring since 1980 when they had 20...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...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.

THIS AND THAT: The pitching staff has allowed 21 runs in the last eight games after yielding 17 runs on Feb. 26 against Los Angeles (AL)...has a 2.66 ERA (21 er in 71.0 ip) over the last eight games after compiling a 9.48 ERA over the first five...has surrendered just 12 home runs, which is second fewest in the Cactus League (CLE, 8)...have the fourth fewest walks (43) but the third highest opponents batting average (.289)...the A's have hit five home runs over the last three games after tallying seven over the first 10...are tied for last in the CL in runs scored (57), are second to last in batting (.237), on-base percentage (.310), slugging percentage (.397) and OPS (.708) and have the third fewest home runs (12) and strikeouts (92).

A's vs. PADRES: This is the first of two meetings between the A's and Padres this spring...meet again in Peoria next Tuesday night...the A's won two of three games last spring, splitting two games in Mesa (8-3 on Feb. 24 and 4-10 on Mar. 3) and winning at Peoria 12-4 on Mar. 4...the A's have won 13 of their last 19 spring games against the Padres.

IN CAMP: The A's optioned five players and reassigned 13 non-roster invitees last weekend and now have 45 players in camp plus two on the 60-day disabled list (Gossett, Manaea)...the active total includes 35 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and 10 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 25 pitchers, four catchers, nine infielders and seven 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 35 players on the 40-man roster remaining in camp, five were drafted by the A's (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)...seven were signed as free agents (B. Anderson, Estrada, Grossman Herrmann, Martini, Petit, Soria) and one was claimed off waivers (Triggs)...the other 22 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.

MINOR LEAGUE DATES: Minor League mini camp is underway and pitchers and catchers had their first workout on Sunday...position players report today with the first workout scheduled for tomorrow...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...NBCSCA 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 25 and 26.

A'S IN JAPAN: The A's leave for Japan next Thursday and will open the regular season at the Tokyo Dome with a two-game series against the Seattle Mariners on March 20 and 21...will also 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 (lost 6-5 on March 25, won 5-1 on March 26) and split a two-game series with Seattle in 2012 (lost 3-1 on March 22 and won 4-1 on March 29)...there are two players in the A's camp that were on the A's Opening Day roster in Japan in 2012, but both of those players have played for other clubs since then (Blevins, Pennington)...the Tokyo Dome is third ballpark in which Oakland has played a home game...in addition to the Coliseum, the A's played six games in Las Vegas at Cashman Field in 1996.

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	T.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
March 3	at Los Angeles (AL)	L, 1-4	4-6	Bedrosian	Estrada	7,407	
March 4	OFF DAY						
March 5	Texas	W, 4-1	5-6	Mengden	Jurado	4,809	33,543
March 6	at Seattle	W, 7-4	6-6	B.Anderson	LeBlanc	5,226	
March 7	at San Francisco	W, 5-1	7-6	Montas	Bumgarner	9,011	
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO/TV				
March 8	San Diego	1:05	KTRB 860 AM				
March 9	Milwaukee	1:05	KTRB 860 AM				
March 10	San Francisco	1:05	KTRB 860 AM/NBCSCA				
	at Chicago (AL)	1:05					
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/NBCSCA				
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/NBCSBA				

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
March 3	Luis Barrera, Skye Bolt, Grant Holmes and Jorge Mateo optioned to Las Vegas; Parker Bridwell, Jake Buchanan, Kyle Finnegan, Jonah Heim, Corban Joseph, Dean Kiekhefer, Kyle Lobstein, Miguel Romero, Norge Ruiz and Beau Taylor reassigned to minor league camp

World Champions: 1910•1911•1913•1929•1930•1972•1973•1974•1989

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

ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

#1 FRANKLIN BARRETO: Is 1-for-9 (.111) over his last three games after hitting safely in six straight (8-for-14, .571)...is tied for third in the Cactus League in doubles (3), ranks fourth in batting (.360) and fifth in on-base percentage (.407), slugging (.600) and OPS (1.007)...has appeared in five games at second base, three 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.

#8 ERIC CAMPBELL (NR): Singled in the second inning Wednesday night after starting the spring 0-for-12...signed to a minor league contract, Nov. 13...spent the entire 2018 season at New Orleans in the Miami organization and batted .313 with six home runs and 68 RBI in 95 games...had a .420 on-base percentage, which ranked second in the PCL and sixth in the minors.

20 MARK CANHA: Hit his first home run of the spring Wednesday night at Seattle and also walked three times...has appeared in five games at first base, two at designated hitter and one in center field...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 lefties.

#26 MATT CHAPMAN: Has hit safely in each of his last three games (4-for-8, .500) and has reached base safely in all five...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 KHRIS 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: Is 2-for-10 (.200) over his last four games after hitting safely in five straight (5-for-14, .357)...has appeared in seven games in center field, six in right field and one in left field...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: Is 3-for-10 (.300) over his last two games after going 2-for-12 (.167) over his first five contests...has appeared exclusively in left field on defense...was signed as a free agent, Feb. 15...batted .273 in a career-high 129 games with Minnesota last year...added a .367 on-base percentage, which was 10th best in the AL among players with at least 450 PA.

#3 NICK HUNDLEY (NR): Is 1-for-8 (.125) over his last four games after going 4-for-9 (.444) over his first four contests...spent the entire 2018 season with San Francisco and batted .241 with 10 home runs and 31 RBI in 96 games...hit .280 with seven of his 10 home runs against left-handed pitchers compared to .213 against right-handers.

#22 RAMON LAUREANO: Is tied for third in the Cactus League in doubles (3)...had his second two-hit game of the spring last night against San Francisco...spent the first four months of 2018 with Nashville where he batted .297 with 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 ML debut.

#12 SEAN MURPHY (NR): Homered in his first game of the spring but is 0-for-10 in nine games since then...spent most of the 2018 season at Double-A Midland where he hit .288 with eight home runs and 43 RBI in 68 games...also had three games at Triple-Nashville and two with the A's affiliate in the Arizona Rookie League and hit a career-high .285 in 73 games overall.

#64 SHELDON NEUSE (NR): Had his second triple Wednesday night at Seattle, which is tied for the Cactus League lead...made his Triple-A debut in 2018 and spent the entire season at Nashville...batted .263 with five home runs and 55 RBI in 135 games...was batting .224 with a .588 OPS in 84 games at the All-Star Break...then hit .321 with a .774 OPS in 49 games after the break.

#28 MATT OLSON: Went 1-for-2 in his first game but is 2-for-21 (.095) in seven games since then...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 basemen in home runs.

#7 CLIFF PENNINGTON (NR): Had his second two-hit game of the spring Wednesday night at Seattle...has appeared in five games at third base, three at second base and three at shortstop...signed a minor league contract Feb. 15...hit .138 with in 16 games with Cincinnati last year and a combined .211 with a home run and 14 RBI in 17 games with Louisville and Round Rock.

#19 JOSH PHEGLEY: Went 2-for-4 Wednesday night at Seattle for his second multiple hit game of the spring...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 third in the Cactus League in doubles (3)...has appeared in four games at third base, three at designated hitter, two in left field and one at second base...batted .258 with 13 HR and 27 RBI in 110 games last year in a season interrupted by two stints on the DL...became the first player in Oakland history to start at least one game at seven positions.

#25 STEPHEN PISCOTTY: Is 2-for-14 (.143) over his last five games after going 3-for-6 (.500) over his first three...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: Is 4-for-12 (.333) with a home run and five RBI over his last four games 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.

#10 MARCUS SEMIEN: Is 3-for-7 (.429) over his last two games after going 0-for-9 over his previous four contests...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 steals (14) and matched his high in games...had his fourth consecutive season with 10 or more homers and 10 or more steals.

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

#21 RHP MARCO ESTRADA: Made his first Cactus League appearance of the spring last Sunday at Los Angeles (AL), a start...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.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Mar. 3	at Los Angeles (AL)	S	1-4	L	9.00	3.0	6	3	3	0	3	2

ALSO AVAILABLE TO PITCH

#58 RHP PAUL BLACKBURN: Has not allowed a run in two Cactus League appearances (5.0 ip)...yielded two runs Feb. 21 at Seattle in the game that was rained out (1.0 ip, 3 h, 2 r, 2 er)...was limited to just six starts with Oakland last year due to two stints on the disabled list...began the season on the DL with a strained right forearm, went 2-3 with a 7.16 ERA in six starts from June 7 to July 6 and then missed the remainder of the season with right elbow lateral epicondylitis.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 25	at Arizona	R	3-4	-	0.00	2.0	1	0	0	0	3	0
Mar. 2	Cleveland	S	1-0	-	0.00	3.0	2	0	0	0	1	0
Totals (2 games, 1 starts)					0-0	0.00	5.0	3	0	0	4	0

#52 LHP RYAN BUCHTER: Has allowed two runs in each of his three appearances...went 6-0 with a 2.75 ERA and .219 opponents batting average in 54 relief appearances in his first season with the A's last year...allowed just 2-of-30 (6.7%) inherited runners to score, which was the lowest percentage in the majors...since 1974, it is third lowest by an Oakland pitcher and fifth lowest by an American League pitcher.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 22	at Seattle	R	1-8	-	27.00	0.2	2	2	2	2	2	0
Feb. 25	at Arizona	R	3-4	-	21.60	1.0	3	2	2	1	1	0
Mar. 6	at Seattle	R	7-4	-	23.14	0.2	1	2	2	1	0	1
Totals (3 games, 0 starts)					0-0	23.14	2.1	6	6	6	4	3

#66 RHP RYAN DULL: Has not allowed a run in his first three outings (2.1 ip)...had six stints with Oakland last year and compiled a 4.26 ERA and .242 opponents batting average in 28 relief appearances in his fourth season...was also 3-2 with a save and a 3.54 ERA in 23 relief appearances with Nashville.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 24	Kansas City	R	5-14	-	0.00	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Feb. 27	Los Angeles (NL)	R	3-5	-	0.00	0.1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mar. 6	at Seattle	R	7-4	-	0.00	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	0
Totals (3 games, 0 starts)					0-0	0.00	2.1	2	0	0	3	0

#48 RHP JOAKIM SORIA: Has not allowed a run in his first three appearances (2.2 ip)...signed a two-year deal with the A's Dec. 21...began the 2018 season with the Chicago White Sox and had 16 saves and a 2.56 ERA in 40 relief appearances when he was traded to Milwaukee July 26...went 3-1 with a 4.09 ERA in 26 outings with the Brewers and combined for a 3-4 record, 16 saves and a 3.12 ERA in 66 relief appearances overall.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 27	Los Angeles (NL)	R	3-5	-	0.00	0.2	0	0	0	2	1	0
Mar. 2	Cleveland	R	1-0	-	0.00	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Mar. 5	Texas	R	4-1	-	0.00	1.0	1	0	0	1	3	0
Totals (3 games, 0 starts)					0-0	0.00	2.2	1	0	3	5	0

#60 RHP ANDREW TRIGGS: Was 3-1 with a 5.23 ERA in nine starts with the A's last year when he was placed on the 10-day disabled list May 18 with nerve irritation in his right arm...would not pitch again until Sept. 5 when he began a rehab assignment with Single-A Stockton...that would be his only outing before undergoing surgery Sept. 26.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 23	Chicago (AL)	R	6-5	-	0.00	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Feb. 28	at Chicago (NL)	R	10-3	-	3.00	2.0	3	1	1	1	0	1
Mar. 6	at Seattle	R	7-4	S	2.25	1.0	2	0	0	0	2	0
Totals (3 games, 0 starts)					0-0	2.25	4.0	6	1	1	0	3

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 8 vs. San Diego

Padres: RHP Chris Paddock, LHP Aaron Loup, RHP Robert Stock, RHP Phil Maton, RHP Luis Perdomo

March 9 vs. Milwaukee

A's: RHP Tanner Anderson, LHP Jerry Blevins, RHP Blake Treinen, RHP Yusmeiro Petit, RHP Fernando Rodney, RHP J.B. Wendelken
Brewers: RHP Brandon Woodruff, RHP Zack Brown, RHP Adrian Houser, RHP Bubba Derby, RHP Deolis Guerra, RHP Jon Olczak

March 10 vs. San Francisco (SS)

A's: LHP Jesús Luzardo
Giants: TBA

March 10 at Chicago-AL (SS)

A's: RHP Daniel Mengden
White Sox: RHP Lucas Giolito, RHP Nate Jones, RHP Alex Colome, RHP Dylan Cease, RHP Jordan Stephens, LHP Jace Fry, RHP Ian Hamilton