

OAKLAND ATHLETICS GAME INFORMATIO

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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (10-8) VS. SAN DIEGO PADRES (10-5-2)

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019 - PEORIA STADIUM - 6:40 P.M. MST KTRB 860 AM

ABOUT THE A'S: Lost at Colorado yesterday 6-3 and are now 9-3 over the last 12 games after starting the spring 1-5...are 10-8 overall and have two games remaining in Arizona before leaving for Japan on 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...have not had a winning record during the spring since going 22-11-2 in 2015...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 A's have allowed 27 runs in the last four games after surrendering 26 runs over the previous nine contests...have a 5.50 ERA overall, which is fifth highest in the Cactus League...have the third highest opponents batting average (.283)...the offense has the second lowest slugging percentage (.410) and OPS (.725) in the CL, are tied for the second lowest on-base percentage (.315) and have the third lowest batting average (.245)... also rank second in fewest runs (80), third in fewest home runs (17) and tied for third in fewest strikeouts (137)...since 1991 (the earliest year spring stats are available), the A's lowest batting average during the spring is .256 in 2011 and the lowest on-base percentage is .325 in 2018...the defense has turned 21 double plays, which is fourth most in the CL.

A's vs. PADRES: This is the second and final meeting between the A's and Padres this spring...Oakland won the first game in Hohokam last Friday by a score of 6-5...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...Oakland has now won 14 of their last 20 spring games against the Padres.

IN CAMP: The A's optioned Dustin Fowler to Las Vegas today...now have 36 players in camp plus two on the 60-day disabled list (Gossett, Manaea)... the active total includes 30 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and six non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 18 pitchers, four catchers, eight infielders and six outfielders...the A's must reduce the active 40-man roster to 28 players by Opening Day in Tokyo and must designate three players as inactive for the two-game series against Seattle.

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.

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 nontendered 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 camp is underway with the first full squad workout taking place last Saturday...games begin on Thursday 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 @Ath-

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 and Donny Baarns will fill in on selected games...NBCSCA has one remaining broadcast on March 24 in Oakland against San Francisco...Glen Kuiper joins Ray Fosse in the broadcast booth for that telecast... NBCSBA will air the A's vs. Giants games on March 25 and 26.

A's IN JAPAN: The A's leave for Japan on 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.

OPENING SERIES MATCH-UPS: A's manager Bob Melvin named RHP Mike Fiers as the A's Opening Day starter for March 20 against the Mariners in Tokyo... he will be followed by RHP Marco Estrada in game two...Fiers will be making his first career Opening Day start and will be the A's 12th different Opening Day starting pitcher over the last 14 years...the Mariners will counter with LHP Marco Gonzales on Wednesday and LHP Yusei Kikuchi on Thursday.

SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

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DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORE	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.
Feb. 21		ncelled, Ra					
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	Bumgarne	r 9,011	
March 8	San Diego	W, 6-5	8-6	Dull	Buchter	7,803	41,346
March 9	Milwaukee	L, 2-11	8-7	Houser	Blevins	9,007	50,353
March 10	San Francisco	W, 5-4		Schlitter	Law	8,625	58,978
	at Chicago (AL)	W, 7-6	10-7	Hendriks	Colome	5,486	
March 11	at Colorado	L, 3-6	10-8	Johnson	Bassitt	8,748	
DATE	OPPONENT	TI	ME RAD	DIO/TV			
March 12	at San Diego	6:		B 860 AM			
March 13	Chicago (NL)	1:		B 860 AM			
March 17	Nippon (exhib.)			B 860 AM (3:05	,		
March 18	Nippon (exhib.)			B 860 AM (8:05		n March 17	7)
March 24	San Francisco (at OA	•		B 860 AM/NBC			
March 25	at San Francisco (at	,		B 860 AM/NBC			
March 26	at San Francisco (at	SF) 6:	:45 KTR	B 860 AM/NBC	SBA		

All times local.

TRANSACTIONS

- Free agent Brett Anderson agrees to terms on a one-year con-Feb. 13 tract; Sean Manaea placed on the 60-day disabled list (shoulder surgery rehab)
- Free agent Robbie Grossman agrees to terms on a one-year Feb. 15 contract; Daniel Gossett placed on the 60-day disabled list (UCL surgery rehab)
- James Kaprielian optioned to Las Vegas; Tyler Alexander, Parker March 2 Dunshee and A.J. Puk reassigned to minor league camp
- Luis Barrera, Skye Bolt, Grant Holmes and Jorge Mateo optioned March 3 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
- March 10 Tanner Anderson, Paul Blackburn and Andrew Triggs optioned to Las Vegas; Kyle Crockett, Sheldon Neuse, Brian Schlitter and Wei-Chung Wang reassigned to minor league camp Daniel Mengden optioned to Las Vegas
- March 11
- Dustin Fowler optioned to Las Vegas March 12

ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

#1 FRANKLIN BARRETO: Is tied for third in the Cactus League in doubles (4), ranks fourth in batting (.387) and on-base percentage (.457), tied for fourth in slugging (.613), fifth in OPS (1.070) and tied for sixth in hits (12)...has appeared in seven games at second base, three in left field, three in center field and one at shortstop...has a .362 (42-for-116) average over the last three springs...had six stints with Oakland in 2018 and batted .233 with five home runs and 16 RBI in 32 games.

#8 ERIC CAMPBELL (NR): Is 2-for-6 (.333) with five walks over his last four games after going 0-for-12 with no walks over his first 11 contests...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: Is 5-for-15 (.333) with three walks and five RBI over his last five games after going 2-for-14 (.143) with one walk and no RBI over his first seven contests...has appeared in five games at first base, three at designated hitter, two in center field and one in left 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: Is 0-for-8 over his last three games after reaching base safely in each of his first 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: Made his first appearance of the spring Friday and is 0-for-8 in three games...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).

#17 ROBBIE GROSSMAN: Has hit safely in each of his last six games (6-for-19, .316) after going 2-for-12 (.167) over his first five contests...has struck out just once in 35 plate appearances...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 American League among players with at least 450 plate appearances.

#3 NICK HUNDLEY (NR): Is 2-for-13 (.154) over his last six 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: Six of his seven hits this spring are for extra bases (four doubles, two home runs)...is tied for third in the Cactus League in doubles...has appeared exclusively in center field on defense...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): Snapped a 0-for-12 streak with his ninth inning single Saturday against Milwaukee but is 0-for-8 in two 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.

#28 MATT OLSON: Went 1-for-2 in his first game but is 2-for-28 (.071) in 10 games since then...is a .178 (34-for-191) career hitter during the spring...has appeared exclusively at first base this spring...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.

#7 CLIFF PENNINGTON (NR): Is 3-for-7 (.429) with two walks over his last four games...has appeared in five games at third base, five at shortstop and three at second base...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: Has homered in back-to-back games...is now 5-for-12 (.417) with three runs, two doubles, two home runs and four RBI over his last three games after going 4-for-15 (.267) over his first six...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: Has back-to-back two-double games and leads the majors with seven doubles this spring...is tied for the lead in extra base hits (8)... is tied for ninth in the Cactus League in RBI (9)...has struck out just once 32 plate appearances...has appeared in four games at third base, three at designated hitter, three in left field, one at second base and one at shortstop...last year, he became the first player in Oakland history to start at least one game at seven different positions.

#25 STEPHEN PISCOTTY: Is 3-for-18 (.167) over his last seven games after going 3-for-6 (.500) over his first three...has appeared exclusively in right field... 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 5-for-20 (.250) with a home run and five RBI over his last seven games after going 1-for-10 (.100) over his first four games...has

appeared exclusively at second base...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: Had three hits yesterday at Colorado and is now 8-for-17 (.471) with five runs, two doubles, a triple and a home run over his last five games...ranks sixth in the Cactus League in batting (.344) and eighth in OPS (.926), on-base percentage (.364) and slugging (.563)...has appeared exclusively at shortstop...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

#35 RHP AARON BROOKS: Is schedule to make his fourth appearance and third start of the spring...has not allowed a run in his last two outings (7.0 ip) after surrendering six runs in 2.0 ip in his first appearance...spent the entire 2018 season at Triple-A Colorado Springs in the Milwaukee Brewers organization and went 9-4 with a 3.35 ERA in 26 games, 15 starts...was traded to Oakland Sept. 3 for cash considerations and did not allow a run in 2.2 innings over three games with the A's.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 24	Kansas City	S	5-14	L	27.00	2.0	4	6	6	1	2	1
Mar. 1	Colorado	S	6-3	W	9.00	4.0	3	0	0	2	3	0
Mar. 7	at San Francisco	R	5-1	-	6.00	3.0	3	0	0	1	4	0
Totals (3 games, 2 starts)			1-1	6.00	9.0	10	6	6	4	9	1	

ALSO AVAILABLE TO PITCH

#52 LHP RYAN BUCHTER: Allowed two runs in each of his first three appearances before tossing a scoreless ninth inning for the save in his last outing on Friday against San Diego...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	Н	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
Mar. 8 San Diego	R	6-5	S	16.20	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals (4 games 0 sta	0-0	16 20	3.1	7	6	6	4	3	1		

#66 RHP RYAN DULL: Has not allowed a run in his first four outings (3.1 ip)... opponents are 2-for-11 (.182)...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	ΙP	н	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
	Mar. 8	San Diego	R	6-5	W	0.00	1.0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Totals (4 games, 0 starts)					1-0	0.00	3.1	2	0	0	1	5	0

#47 RHP FRANKIE MONTAS: Has not allowed a run in two of his three appearances...went 5-4 with a 3.88 ERA in 13 games, including 11 starts, over four stints with Oakland last year...was 5-2 with a 3.35 ERA in eight starts during his first stint from May 27 to July 9 and 0-2 with a 5.40 ERA in five games over his final three stints...was also 4-5 with a 4.65 ERA in 15 games, all starts, with Triple-A Nashville.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 25	at Arizona	S	3-4	-	0.00	2.0	2	0	0	2	2	0
Mar. 2	Cleveland	R	1-0	S	0.00	3.0	2	0	0	0	2	0
Mar. 7	at San Francisco	S	5-1	W	1.00	4.0	5	1	1	0	4	0
Totals (3 games, 2 starts)			1-0	1.00	9.0	9	1	1	2	8	0	

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 12 at San Diego

Padres: RHP Jacob Nix, RHP Pedro Avila, LHP Aaron Loup, RHP Adam Warren, RHP Robert Stock

March 13 vs. Chicago (NL)

A's: RHP Mike Fiers, RHP Blake Treinen, RHP Fernando Rodney, RHP Joakim Soria, RHP Lou Trivino, LHP Jerry Blevins

Cubs: LHP Jon Lester, RHP Steve Cishek, RHP Brad Brach, RHP George Kontos, LHP Mike Zagurski, RHP Matt Carasiti