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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (2-6) VS. CLEVELAND INDIANS (2-4)

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ABOUT THE A'S: Had their two-game winning streak snapped yesterday and are now 2-6 (.250) to start the spring...that is the worst record in the Cactus League and second worst in the majors (Pittsburgh, 0-7)...Oakland batters are tied for the Major League lead with 35 walks and are tied for the CL lead with 75 hits...A's pitchers have allowed the most runs (62) and hits (98)...this is the A's 52nd Spring Training in Arizona, their sixth 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 34 games this spring, which includes 30 games in Arizona, two in Las Vegas against the Indians (Feb. 29-Mar. 1) and two in the Bay Area against the Giants (Mar. 23-24)...went 14-8 (.636) last spring, which was the best record in the majors...it marked the first time Oakland finished Spring Training with a winning record since going 22-11-2 in 2015...the .636 winning percentage was the seventh best mark in Oakland history and the best since 2015...the 22 games played were the A's fewest during the spring since 1980 when they had 20...had a .248 batting average and .320 on-base percentage, both of which were the lowest marks by an A's team during the spring since 1991 (the earliest year spring stats are available)...the previous lows were a .256 average in 2011 and a .325 on-base percentage last year...had the second lowest batting average among Cactus League teams and the fourth lowest on-base percentage.

A's vs. INDIANS: The A's and Indians will square off four times this spring, including today in Las Vegas and Mesa, tomorrow in Las Vegas and next Friday at Goodyear...the A's won the only meeting last spring on March 2 at Hohokam, 1-0...have lost six of their last nine spring games to Cleveland, including four straight at Goodyear...have not defeated the Indians at Goodyear since March 19, 2014.

A's IN VEGAS: The A's will take on the Indians in a two-game series today and tomorrow at the home ballpark of the A's Triple-A affiliate, Las Vegas Ballpark...this marks the first time the A's have played in Las Vegas since 2015 when they lost two games to the Cubs on March 13 (5-3) and 14 (3-1)...have also played in Las Vegas during the spring in 1994, 1997 and 2000 and opened the regular season with six games at Cashman Field in 1996 while the Coliseum was undergoing renovations for the return of the Raiders.

IN CAMP: The A's have 64 players on the active roster, which includes 40 players on the 40-man roster and 24 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 32 pitchers, six catchers, 14 infielders and 12 outfielders...Oakland also has one player on the 60-day IL (Mengden).

COACHING STAFF: Bob Melvin returns for his 10th season as manager of the Oakland A's in 2020, a tenure that has included five postseason appearances and two American League Manager of the Year awards...no other active manager has a longer uninterrupted tenure with their current team...returning to Melvin's coaching staff are bench coach Ryan Christenson, hitting coach Darren Bush, pitching coach Scott Emerson, bullpen coach Marcus Jensen and quality control coach Mark Kotsay...also returning in new roles are Al Pedrique (third base coach) and Mike Aldrete (first base coach)...new to the A's staff is Eric Martins, who will be the assistant hitting coach.

HOW THE A'S WERE BUILT: Of the 40 active players on the 40-man roster, 10 were drafted by the A's (Bolt, 4th round in 2015; Brown, 19th in 2015; Chapman, 1st in 2014; Gossett, 2nd in 2014; Jefferies, competitive balance round A in 2016; Murphy, 3rd in 2016; Olson, compensation following 1st round in 2012; Pinder, competitive balance round B in 2013; Puk, 1st in 2016; Trivino, 11th in 2013)...one was signed as a non-drafted agent (Barrera), three were signed as free agents (Grossman, Petit, Soria) and one was claimed off waivers (McFarland)...the other 25 were all acquired in trades.

OFF SEASON MOVES: The A's acquired three players via trade during the off-season, including Austin Allen (Dec. 2 from San Diego for Jurickson Profar), Vimal Machin (Dec. 12 from Philadelphia/Rule 5 draft) and Tony Kemp (Jan. 13 from Cubs for minor leaguer Alfonso Rivas)...Oakland also claimed T.J. McFarland off waivers from Arizona Nov. 4...Jake Diekman was re-signed as a free agent Dec. 3 after his contract option was declined following the season and Yusmeiro Petit had his contract option exercised for 2020...following the start of camp, the A's acquired Burch Smith from San Francisco on Feb. 15.

NON-ROSTER INVITEES: The Athletics have 24 non-roster invitees in Major League camp...the players include IF Nick Allen, RHP Tanner Anderson, RHP Ben Bracewell, IF Eric Campbell, RHP Wandisson Charles, IF Logan Davidson, OF Greg Deichmann, RHP Parker Dunshee, C Ronnie Freeman, RHP Ian Gardeck, IF Ryan Goins, LHP Donnie Hart, RHP Brian Howard, RHP Zach Lee, LHP Lucas Luetge, IF Nate Orf, C Carlos Pérez, OF Buddy Reed, RHP Miguel Romero, RHP Brian Schlitter, RHP Jaime Schultz, C Collin Theroux, OF Dillon Thomas and RHP Jordan Weems...nine of the 24 non-roster players have Ma-

ior League experience (Anderson, Campbell, Goins, Lee, Luetge, Orf, Pérez, Schlitter, Schulz).

MINOR LEAGUE DATES: Minor League mini camp is underway...pitchers and catchers report a week from today with the first workout scheduled for March 8...position players report March 13 with the first workout scheduled for March 14...games begin on March 19 and run through April 3.

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: All A's Spring Training games will stream live on Tunein, with the exception of split squads today in Mesa, tomorrow against Kansas City, Mar. 6 vs. Cleveland and Mar. 14 vs. Milwaukee...Ken Korach, Vince Cotroneo and Ray Fosse will call the action for all weekend games except Mar. 21, plus night games on Mar. 13 and 19...the father and son duo of Vince and Dom Cotroneo will team up on Mar. 2...Donny Baarns, Dom Cotroneo and Alex Jensen will call the remaining games...four games are scheduled to air on KHTK and the A's Radio Network (Mar. 8, 13, 15 and 23, schedule subject to change)...13 of the remaining games will be broadcast on television, including three by NBCSCA: today vs. Cleveland in Las Vegas, Monday night vs. the Cubs in Mesa and Mar. 24 against the Giants in San Francisco...Glen Kuiper will provide play-by-play with Ray Fosse and Dallas Braden serving as analysts...three games (Mar. 9, 11 and 17) will air live on MLB Network while five others will be tape delayed (Mar. 5, 7, 12, 14 and 18)...the Giants will broadcast the games of Mar. 19 and 23 on NBCSBA.

SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	HOME CUM.
Feb. 22	at Chicago (NL)	L, 2-12	0-1	Cotton	Trivino	12,109	
Feb. 23	San Francisco (ss)	L, 3-5	0-2	Wolff	Dunshee	6,017	6,017
	at Arizona (ss)	L, 3-7	0-3	Ray	Bassitt	9,437	
Feb. 24	Milwaukee	L, 4-14	0-4	Burnes	Manaea	3,512	9,529
Feb. 25	at San Diego	L, 6-9	0-5	Ramirez	Bracewell	2,099	
Feb. 26	Arizona	W, 16-3	1-5	Montas	Weaver	3,745	13,274
Feb. 27	Colorado	W, 5-2	2-5	Lee	Fernandez	4,005	17,279
Feb. 28	at Cincinnati	L, 1-10	2-6	DeSclafani	Fiers	3,237	
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	INTERNET/RADIO/TV				
Feb. 29	Cleveland (ss)	1:05 pm					
	vs. Cleveland (ss) (at LV)	1:05 pm	Tunein/NBCSCA				
March 1	at Kansas City (ss)	1:05 pm					
	vs. Cleveland (ss) (at LV)	1:05 pm	Tunein				
March 2	Chicago (NL)	7:05 pm	Tunein/NBCSCA				
March 3	at Chicago (AL)	1:05 pm	Tunein				
March 4	OFF DAY						
March 5	Los Angeles (NL)	1:05 pm	Tunein/MLB Network (airs at 12am & 6 am on 3/6)				
March 6	Cincinnati (ss)	1:05 pm	Tunein				
	at Cleveland (ss)	1:05 pm					
March 7	at Seattle	1:10 pm	Tunein/MLB Network (airs at 6:00 am on 3/8)				
March 8	Milwaukee	1:05 pm	Tunein/KHTK and A's Radio Network				
March 9	at Texas	6:05 pm	Tunein/MLB Network				
March 10	Kansas City	1:05 pm	Tunein				
March 11	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:10 pm	Tunein/MLB Network				
March 12	at Los Angeles (NL)	1:05 pm	Tunein/MLB Network (airs at 11:00 pm)				
March 13	Texas	7:05 pm	Tunein/KHTK and A's Radio Network				
March 14	Seattle (ss)	1:05 pm	Tunein				
	at Milwaukee (ss)	1:05 pm	MLB Network (airs at 6:00 am on 3/15)				
March 15	San Diego	1:05 pm	Tunein/KHTK and A's Radio Network				
March 16	OFF DAY						
March 17	Los Angeles (AL)	1:05 pm	Tunein/MLB Network				
March 18	at Colorado	6:40 pm	Tunein/MLB Network (airs at 11:00 pm)				
March 19	at San Francisco	7:05 pm	Tunein/NBCSBA				
March 20	Chicago (AL)	1:05 pm	Tunein				
March 21	Chicago (NL)	12:05 pm	Tunein				
March 22	OFF DAY						
March 23	San Francisco (at OAK)	7:05 pm	Tunein/NBCSBA/KHTK and A's Radio Network				
March 24	at San Francisco (at SF)	6:45 pm	Tunein/NBCSBA				

All times local.

TRANSACTIONS

Feb. 15 Burch Smith acquired from the San Francisco Giants for cash considerations; Daniel Mengden placed on the 60-day injured list (right elbow surgery)

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ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

#49 SKYE BOLT: Made his Triple-A and Major League debut in 2019...went 1-for-10 (.100) with a double, walk and three strikeouts in five games over three stints with Oakland...batted a career-high .269 with 11 home runs and 61 RBI in 89 games with Las Vegas.

#19 ERIC CAMPBELL (NR): Spent the entire 2019 season at Triple-A Las Vegas where he batted .276 with 16 home runs and 65 RBI in 94 games...added 54 walks for a .382 on-base percentage...the 16 home runs were his most as a minor leaguer and his 64 runs scored matched his best from 2010.

#26 MATT CHAPMAN: Hit his first home run Wednesday against the Diamondbacks...had career highs in runs (102), home runs (36), RBI (91), walks (73) and extra base hits (75) in 2019...won his second consecutive Rawlings Gold Glove, his second straight Wilson Defensive Player of the Year and his second straight AL Platinum Glove.

#11 DUSTIN FOWLER: Spent the entire 2019 season at Triple-A Las Vegas where he batted .277 with a career-high 25 home runs and a career-high 89 RBI in 130 games...also had career bests in runs (98), hits (154), walks (42) and hit by pitches (6)...tied for second in the Pacific Coast League in hits.

#23 RYAN GOINS (NR): Began the 2019 season at Triple-A Charlotte and was batting .322 with 10 home runs and 48 RBI in 83 games when he was selected by Chicago (AL) July 17...spent the remainder of the season with the White Sox and hit .250 with two home runs and 10 RBI in 52 games.

#37 JONAH HEIM: Had two hits and three RBI Wednesday against Arizona and leads the A's with four RBI this spring...began 2019 at Double-A Midland but was promoted to Las Vegas in June where he made his Triple-A debut...combined with both clubs to hit a career-high .310 with a career-high tying nine home runs and 53 RBI in 85 games.

#5 TONY KEMP: Has reached base safely via hit or walk in each of his four games...was acquired from the Chicago Cubs for Alfonso Rivas, Jan. 13, 2020...began the 2019 season with Houston and was hitting .227 with seven home runs and 17 RBI in 66 games when he was traded to Chicago July 31...batted .183 with a home run and 12 RBI in 44 games with the Cubs.

#22 RAMÓN LAUREANO: Batted .288 with 24 home runs and 67 RBI in 123 games in a season interrupted by a five-week stay on the injured list with a right lower leg stress reaction...added 29 doubles for a .521 slugging percentage...tied for third among American League outfielders with 10 assists.

#39 VIMAEEL MACHÍN: Has appeared in three games at second base, two at third base and one at first base...was acquired from Philadelphia for cash, Dec. 12, 2019 after the Phillies selected him from the Cubs in the Rule 5 draft...combined for a .295 average, seven home runs, 65 RBI and 69 walks (.390 on-base percentage) in 129 games with Double-A Tennessee and Triple-A Iowa.

#28 MATT OLSON: Missed 34 games last year while on the injured list early in the season but still hit 36 home runs and drove in 91 runs while batting .267 in 127 games...also won his second consecutive Rawlings Gold Glove for American League first basemen...tied for seventh in the AL in home runs.

#63 CARLOS PEREZ (NR): Spent most of the 2019 season at Double-A Bowie in the Baltimore organization where he hit .251 with 14 home runs and 60 RBI in 94 games...also went 3-for-24 (.125) in eight games with Triple-A Norfolk and batted a combined .243 in 102 games overall.

#10 MARCUS SEMIEN: Finished in the top five in Oakland history in eight different categories in 2019...scored 123 runs, which tied the Oakland record set by Reggie Jackson in 1969...also tied the record for games played (162)...ranked third in extra base hits (83), tied for third in hits (187) and total bases (343) and tied for fourth in doubles (43) while hitting .285 with 33 homers.

#81 COLLIN THEROUX (NR): Spent most of the 2019 season at Double-A Midland where he hit .180 with 12 home runs and 36 RBI in 93 games...also went 3-for-18 (.167) during a five-game stay with Triple-A Las Vegas and combined for a .179 batting average in 98 games...drew 49 walks for a .291 on-base pct.

#71 DILLON THOMAS (NR): Has hit safely in each of his three games (3-for-6, .500)...spent the entire 2019 season at Double-A Biloxi and hit .265 with 13 home runs and 71 RBI in 131 games...had career highs in runs (62), hits (119), home runs, RBI, walks (41), stolen bases (22), games and at bats (449) and matched his high in hit by pitches (11).

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

#55 LHP SEAN MANAEA: Was the losing pitcher in his first start last Monday against Milwaukee...retired the side in order in the first and then allowed six runs in the second...began the 2019 season on the 60-day injured list as he continued his recovery from Sept. 19, 2018 surgery on his left shoulder...was reinstated from the IL Sept. 1 and made five starts with Oakland, going 4-0 with a 1.21 ERA and .160 opponents batting average.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 24	Milwaukee	S	4-14	L	32.40	1.2	6	6	6	0	2	2

ALSO AVAILABLE TO PITCH THIS WEEKEND

#38 LHP T.J. McFARLAND: Has not allowed a run over his first two appearances (1.1 ip)...was claimed off waivers from Arizona Nov. 4...had no decisions and a 4.82 ERA in a career-high 51 relief appearances with the Diamondbacks...since the save became a stat in 1969, he is one of three pitchers to appear in 50 or more games with no wins, losses or save opportunities.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 23	at Arizona	R	3-7	-	0.00	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feb. 26	Arizona	R	16-3	-	0.00	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals (2 games, 0 starts)					0-0	0.00	1.1	2	0	0	0	0

#62 RHP LOU TRIVINO: Tossed a scoreless third inning in his last outing Tuesday at San Diego after yielding three runs in 0.2 innings in his first appearance...was 4-6 with a 5.25 ERA and .265 opponents batting average in 61 relief appearances in his second season in the majors last year after going 8-3 with a 2.92 ERA and .201 opponents average in 69 games as a rookie in 2018.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 22	at Chicago (NL)	R	2-12	L	40.50	0.2	4	3	3	1	0	1
Feb. 25	at San Diego	R	6-9	-	16.20	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals (2 games, 0 starts)					0-1	16.20	1.2	5	3	3	1	0

#57 RHP J.B. WENDELKEN: Allowed a run in the third inning in his last outing Wednesday against Arizona after retiring the side in order in the fourth inning of his first appearance...was 3-1 with a 3.58 ERA and .178 opponents average in 27 relief appearances over four stints with Oakland in 2019...struck out 34 batters in 32.2 innings and surrendered just two home runs.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 23	at Arizona	R	3-7	-	0.00	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feb. 26	Arizona	R	16-3	-	4.50	1.0	3	1	1	0	1	0
Totals (2 games, 0 starts)					0-0	4.50	2.0	3	1	1	0	1

NON-ROSTER PITCHERS: **#64 RHP Ben Bracewell** allowed four runs in 0.1 innings in his last outing Tuesday at San Diego after retiring all four batters that he faced in his first appearance...was a combined 1-3 with two saves and a 2.96 ERA in a career-high tying 43 games with Double-A Midland and Triple-A Las Vegas last year...**#74 RHP Parker Dunshee** has allowed at least one run in each of his first two appearances...combined for a 6-7 record and a 4.36 ERA in 26 appearances, including 25 starts, with Double-A Midland and Triple-A Las Vegas last year...**#92 RHP Ian Gardeck** tossed a scoreless eighth inning in his last appearance Wednesday against Arizona after allowing one run in his first outing...combined for a 2-1 record, three saves and a .122 opponents batting average in 21 relief appearances in the Tampa Bay system last year after missing three months with an inflamed right elbow...**#76 RHP Brian Howard** tossed 2.1 scoreless and hitless innings in his first outing against Milwaukee on Monday...combined to go 8-9 with a 4.30 ERA in a career-high 27 starts with Double-A Midland and Triple-A Las Vegas in 2019...**#77 RHP Zach Lee** tossed a scoreless eighth and ninth inning last Thursday against Colorado for the win after yielding three runs in 1.1 innings in his first outing...pitched for Triple-A Syracuse and Double-A Binghamton last year and combined for a 9-4 record, a 5.09 ERA and .296 opponents batting average in 24 games, including 21 starts...**#60 LHP Lucas Luetge** has not allowed a run in his first two appearances (2.0 ip)...was signed by Arizona to a minor league contract in 2019 after not pitching professionally in 2018...combined to go 9-3 with a 2.38 ERA and .231 opponents average in 55 games with Double-A Jackson and Triple-A Reno...**#54 RHP Brian Schlitter** has not allowed a run in his first two appearances...spent most of the 2019 season at Triple-A Las Vegas where he went 4-1 with 11 saves and a 4.64 ERA in 35 games...also had no decisions and a 3.72 ERA in six relief appearances with Oakland...**#68 RHP Jamie Schultz** allowed a run in the sixth inning of his last outing Wednesday against Arizona after retiring the side in order in the fifth inning in his first contest...had two stints with the Dodgers last year and compiled a 7.20 ERA in four relief appearances...**#82 RHP Burch Smith** made his A's spring debut Thursday against Colorado and retired the side in order in the sixth inning...was acquired from the San Francisco Giants Feb. 15 for cash considerations...combined for a 0-1 record and a 5.48 ERA in 17 relief appearances with Milwaukee and San Francisco last year...**#70 RHP Jordan Weems** has not allowed a run in his first two appearances (2.0 ip)...combined to go 0-3 with eight saves and a 4.37 ERA in 41 games, including one start, overall, with Double-A Portland and Triple-A Pawtucket in the Boston organization last year.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

Feb. 29 vs. Cleveland

Indians: LHP Scott Moss, LHP Brad Hand, LHP Oliver Pérez, RHP James Karinchak, RHP Hunter Wood, RHP Argenis Angulo

Feb. 29 vs. Cleveland at Las Vegas

Indians: RHP Zach Plesac, RHP James Hoyt, RHP Dominic Leone, RHP Kyle Dowdy, LHP Anthony Gose

Mar. 1 at Kansas City

A's: TBA, LHP Jake Diekman

Royals: LHP Danny Duffy, RHP Jorge López, RHP Brady Singer, RHP Glenn Sparkman, LHP Daniel Lynch, RHP Jackson Kowar, LHP Foster Griffin, RHP Tyler Zuber

Mar. 1 vs. Cleveland at Las Vegas

A's: LHP Jesus Luzardo

Indians: RHP Adam Plutko, RHP Nick Wittgren, LHP Sam Hentges, RHP Adam Cimber, RHP Phil Maton, RHP Cam Hill

Mar. 2 vs. Chicago (NL)

A's: RHP Frankie Montas, RHP Liam Hendriks

Cubs: RHP Alec Mills