



GAME INFORMATION OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (6-6) VS. CHICAGO CUBS (4-5)

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020 – HOHOKAM PARK – 7:05 P.M. MST
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ABOUT THE A'S: Won four games over the weekend after sweeping two split squads...have now won six of the last seven games after starting the spring 0-5...the A's lead the majors in runs (74), hits (118), doubles (26) and walks (56)...lead the Cactus League in batting (.284) and rank second in on-base percentage (.371)...the pitching staff has the highest opponents batting average in the majors (.330) and the second highest ERA (6.75)...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. CUBS: This is the second of three meetings between the A's and Cubs this spring...the A's lost the Cactus League opener at Sloan Park on Feb. 22, 12-2...meet again at Hohokam on Mar. 21...Oakland won both games last spring, winning at Sloan Park on Feb. 28, 10-3, and at Hohokam on Mar. 13, 12-11...the A's are 1-5-1 all-time at Sloan Park but are 4-0-1 against the Cubs as the home team at Hohokam.

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

A's TOP PROSPECTS: Eight of the A's top 10 prospects according to *Baseball America* are in major league camp this spring: Jesus Luzardo (#1), A.J. Puk (#2), Sean Murphy (#3), Daulton Jefferies (#4), Sheldon Neuse (#7), Jorge Ma-

teo (#8), Logan Davidson (#9) and Nick Allen (#10)...the others are Austin Beck (#5) and Robert Puason (#6).

MINOR LEAGUE DATES: Minor League mini camp is underway...pitchers and catchers report on Saturday with the first workout scheduled for Sunday...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 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 today...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)...12 of the remaining games will be broadcast on television, including two by NBCSCA: tonight vs. the Cubs 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	
Feb. 29	Cleveland (ss)	W, 8-7	3-6	Hart	Wood	6,206	23,485
	Cleveland (ss) (at LV)	W, 8-6	4-6	Howard	Weiss	8,159	
March 1	at Kansas City (ss)	W, 10-6	5-6	Naile	Sparkman	5,237	
	at Cleveland (ss) (at LV)	W, 8-5	6-6	Luzardo	Plutko	7,521	
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	INTERNET/RADIO/TV				
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

#30 AUSTIN ALLEN: Has hit safely in each of his last six games (6-for-14, .429) after going 1-for-6 (.167) over his first three contests...was acquired from San Diego Dec. 2 with a PTBNL (Buddy Reed) for Jurickson Profar, Dec. 2, 2019...made his Major League debut with San Diego last year and hit .215 with four doubles and three RBI in 34 games over four stints.

#79 LUIS BARRERA: Is 1-for-6 (.167) over his last four games after going 5-for-12 (.417) over his first four contests...was limited to just 54 games at Double-A Midland last year due to shoulder surgery, but hit .321 in 54 games...added a career-high tying 11 triples...had surgery on July 12 to repair the labrum in his right, non-throwing, shoulder.

#1 FRANKLIN BARRETO: Has played in six games at second base and one in center field...also pinch hit once...had three stints with the A's last year and batted .123 with two home runs and five RBI in 23 games...the batting average was the lowest of his three seasons...also hit .295 with a career-high 19 home runs and a career-high 65 RBI in 98 games with Triple-A Las Vegas.

#49 SKYE BOLT: Went 1-for-3 with two RBI Saturday against Cleveland at Las Vegas after going 1-for-10 (.100) over his first six contests...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.

#15 SETH BROWN: Had a grand slam yesterday at Kansas City and six of his eight hits are for extra bases (four doubles, one triple, one home run)...leads the majors in extra base hits and is tied for the lead in total bases (17)...is tied for the Cactus League lead in hits, ranks second in doubles and tied for second in RBI (8)...has appeared in five games at first base and two in left field...made his Triple-A and Major League debut in 2019...batted .297 with 37 home runs and 104 RBI in 112 games with Las Vegas and .293 with no home runs and 13 RBI in 26 games with the A's.

#20 MARK CANHA: Had his first multiple hit game yesterday and has now reached base safely via hit or walk in five of his six games...is tied for second in the Cactus League in walks (5)...has appeared in three games in right field, two in center field and one at designated hitter...started games at five different positions last year and batted a career-high .273 with a career-high 26 home runs and 58 RBI in 126 games.

#26 MATT CHAPMAN: Is 1-for-7 (.143) with three RBI over his last three games after going 2-for-6 (.333) with two RBI over his first three...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 and his second straight AL Platinum Glove.

#2 KHRIS DAVIS: Is 1-for-7 (.143) over his last three games after going 1-for-2 in his first contest...was off to a strong start last year as he batted .247 with 12 home runs and 29 RBI over his first 43 games before going on the injured list retroactive to May 22 with a left hip/oblique contusion...was reinstated June 1 and hit .207 with 11 home runs and 44 RBI over his final 90 games.

#11 DUSTIN FOWLER: Doubled in the third inning yesterday against Cleveland at Las Vegas after starting the spring 0-for-15...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).

#8 ROBBIE GROSSMAN: Is 3-for-4 with a home run and three RBI over his last two games after going 1-for-7 over his first four...played in a career-high 138 games in his first season as an Athletic last year and batted .240 with six home runs and 38 RBI...added 59 walks for a .334 on-base percentage.

#37 JONAH HEIM: Had two hits and three RBI Wednesday against Arizona...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: Went 5-for-8 in two games at Las Vegas over the weekend and has now reached base safely via hit or walk in each of his six games...is tied for the Cactus League lead in hits (8)...was acquired from the Chicago Cubs for Alfonso Rivas, Jan. 13, 2020...batted a combined .212 with home runs and 29 RBI in 110 games with Houston and the Cubs last year.

#22 RAMÓN LAUREANO: Singled and walked in two plate appearances yesterday after starting the spring 1-for-10...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...tied for third among American League outfielders with 10 assists.

#39 VIMAEEL MACHÍN: Has appeared in four games at second base, two at third base, one at first base at one at designated hitter...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 with 69 walks (.390 on-base percentage) in 129 games with Double-A Tennessee and Triple-A Iowa.

#13 JORGE MATEO: Is 0-for-5 over his last three games after going 3-for-11 (.273) over his first four...has appeared in four games at shortstop, two at second base and one at designated hitter...spent the entire 2019 season at Triple-A for the season consecutive year and batted .289 with 29 doubles, 14 triples, 19 home runs and 78 RBI in 119 games with Las Vegas.

#12 SEAN MURPHY: Is one of two position players that has yet to appear in a game (Piscotty)...played in just 41 minor league games last year due to two stints on the injured list with a strained left knee...was selected by Oakland on Sept. 1 when rosters expanded and hit .245 with four home runs and eight RBI in 20 games.

#21 SHELDON NEUSE: Has back-to-back two-hit games (4-for-7, .571) after going 2-for-12 (.167) over his first six contests...began the 2019 season at Triple-A Las Vegas and was batting .317 with 27 home runs and 102 RBI in 126 games when he was selected by Oakland on Aug. 29...hit .250 with no home runs and seven RBI in 25 games with the A's in his Major League debut.

#28 MATT OLSON: Doubled in two at bats yesterday against Cleveland at Las Vegas after going 1-for-10 over his first five games...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.

#18 CHAD PINDER: Is 6-for-12 (.500) with two walks over his last five games after going 0-for-2 in his first contest...has appeared in three games in right field, two at third base and one at designated hitter...batted .240 with 13 home runs and a career-high 47 RBI in 124 games last year...started at least one game at seven different positions for the second consecutive season.

#10 MARCUS SEMIEN: Went 2-for-4 with two walks in two games at Las Vegas over the weekend...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).

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER

#47 RHP FRANKIE MONTAS: Retired the side in order in the first inning for the win in his first start last Wednesday against Arizona...went 9-2 with a 2.63 ERA in 16 starts last year in a season shortened due to an 80-game suspension for violating Major League Baseball's Joint Drug Prevention and Treatment Program...his ERA was a career low and he had career highs in wins, starts and strikeouts (103).

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 26	Arizona	S	16-3	W	0.00	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0

ALSO AVAILABLE TO PITCH

#16 RHP LIAM HENDRIKS: Allowed a run in the third inning in his last appearance Thursday against Colorado after retiring the side in order in his first outing...last year, took over the closer role after Blake Treinen went on the IL retroactive to June 21...saved a Major League-leading 25 games over that span and had a 1.80 ERA in 75 appearances overall.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	
Feb. 24	Milwaukee	R	4-14	-	0.00	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	
Feb. 27	Colorado	R	5-2	-	4.50	1.0	2	1	1	0	1	0	
Totals (2 games, 0 starts)					0-0	4.50	2.0	2	1	1	0	3	0

#62 RHP LOU TRIVINO: Has not allowed a run in his last two appearances (2.0 ip) after yielding three runs in 0.2 innings in his first outing...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	
Feb. 29	Cleveland (at LV)	R	8-7	-	10.13	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	
Totals (3 games, 0 starts)					0-1	10.13	2.2	5	3	3	1	2	1

NON-ROSTER INVITEES: **#64 RHP BEN BRACEWELL** allowed four runs in 0.1 innings in his last outing last 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...spent the first five weeks of the 2019 season at Double-A Midland and was promoted to Triple-A Las Vegas May 12...combined for a 6-7 record and a 4.36 ERA in 26 appearances, including 25 starts, overall...**#80 LHP DONNIE HART** has allowed at least one run in each of his three appearances...spent most of 2019 in the Milwaukee organization before he was claimed off waivers by New York (NL) Aug 1...did not allow a run in seven games and 5.0 innings with the Brewers and the Mets...was 4-3 with a 4.43 ERA in 48 games with the two clubs Triple-A affiliates...**#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...**#70 RHP JORDAN WEEMS** has not allowed a run in his first three appearances (3.0 ip) and opponents are 1-for-10 (.100)...combined to go 0-3 with eight saves and a 4.37 ERA in 41 games, including one start, with Double-A Portland and Triple-A Pawtucket in the Boston organization.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

Mar. 2 vs. Chicago (NL)

Cubs: RHP Alec Mills, RHP Ryan Tepera, RHP Casey Sadler, LHP Justin Steele, RHP James Norwood, RHP Jason Adam

Mar. 3 at Chicago (AL)

A's: RHP Chris Bassitt, RHP Joakim Soria, RHP Yusmeiro Petit, LHP T.J. McFarland, RHP J.B. Wendelken, RHP Jaime Schultz, RHP Wandison Charles, RHP Ian Gardeck

White Sox: RHP Reynaldo López, RHP Evan Marshall, LHP Adalberto Mejia, RHP Alex McArae, RHP Brady Laid, RHP Tayron Guerrero, RHP Carson Fulmer, RHP Tyler Johnson

Mar. 4 OFF DAY

Mar. 5 vs. Los Angeles (NL)

A's: RHP Mike Fiers, RHP Daniel Gossett, LHP Jake Diekman, RHP Grant Holmes, RHP James Kaprielian, RHP Brian Schlitter, LHP Lucas Luetge

Dodgers: RHP Walker Buehler, RHP Kenley Jansen, RHP Joe Kelly, LHP Caleb Ferguson, LHP Adam Kolarek, RHP Brett de Geus, RHP Dylan Floro