



# GAME INFORMATION OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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## OAKLAND ATHLETICS (10-7) VS. SEATTLE MARINERS (4-9)

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2020 – PEORIA SPORTS COMPLEX – 1:05 P.M. MST  
TUNEIN.COM – MLB NETWORK (AIRS AT 6:00 AM ON MARCH 8)

**ABOUT THE A'S:** Split a split squad yesterday, winning 7-6 at Cleveland and losing to Cincinnati in Mesa, 11-5...entered the day with a seven-game winning streak...have now won 10 of the last 12 games after starting the spring 0-5...are 10-7 (.588) overall, which is the fifth best record in the Cactus League...the A's lead the majors in runs (102), hits (158), doubles (32) and walks (77)...rank second in the CL in on-base percentage (.363), tied for second in triples (5), fourth in batting (.274) and fifth in OPS (.783)...the pitching staff has the highest opponents batting average in the majors (.315) and the third highest ERA (6.22)...the defense has turned 17 double plays, which is tied for second most in the CL...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. MARINERS:** This is the first of two meetings between the A's and Mariners this spring...meet again a week from today at Hohokam...last spring, the two clubs split two games, both at Peoria, with Oakland losing 8-1 on Feb. 22 and winning 7-4 on Mar. 6...had a third game on Feb. 21 at Mesa rained out after 1½ innings.

**IN CAMP:** After making four moves this morning, the A's now have 47 players on the active roster...that breaks down to 33 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and 14 non-roster invitees...have 18 pitchers, five catchers, 14 infielders and 10 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.

**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.

**CONTRACT STATUS:** The A's have three players under contract beyond the 2020 season...Chris Davis and Jake Diekman are signed through 2021, with Diekman having a club option for 2022...Stephen Piscotty is signed through 2022 with a club option for 2023.

**NON-ROSTER INVITEES:** Following today's roster moves, the A's now have 14 non-roster invitees in Major League camp...the players include IF Nick Allen, IF Eric Campbell, IF Logan Davidson, OF Greg Deichmann, C Ronnie Freeman, IF Ryan Goins, LHP Lucas Luetge, IF Nate Orf, C Carlos Pérez, OF Buddy Reed, RHP Brian Schlitter, RHP Jaime Schultz, OF Dillon Thomas and RHP Jordan Weems...seven of those 14 have Major League experience (Campbell, Goins, Luetge, Orf, Pérez, Schlitter, Schulz).

**MINOR LEAGUE DATES:** Minor League mini camp is underway...pitchers and catchers report today with the first workout scheduled for tomorrow...position players report Friday, March 13 with the first workout scheduled for Saturday, 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 the one remaining split squad on 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...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)...10 of the remaining games will be broadcast on television, including one by NBCSCA on 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 four others will be tape delayed (Mar. 7, 12, 14 and 18)...the Giants will broadcast the games of Mar. 19 and 23 on NBC-SBA...one game will be streamed by NBCSCA with A's Cast audio: Mar. 14 vs. Seattle.

### 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) at Arizona (ss)	L, 3-5 L, 3-7	0-2	Wolff	Dunshee	6,017	6,017
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) Cleveland (ss) (at LV)	W, 8-7 W, 8-6	3-6	Hart	Wood	6,206	23,485
March 1	at Kansas City (ss) at Cleveland (ss) (at LV)	W, 10-6 W, 8-5	5-6	Naile	Sparkman	5,237	
March 2	Chicago (NL)	W, 5-2	7-6	Bracewell	Norwood	4,938	28,423
March 3	at Chicago (AL)	W, 6-5	8-6	Bassitt	Mejia	3,559	
March 4	OFF DAY						
March 5	Los Angeles (NL)	W, 5-1	9-6	Fiers	Buehler	7,672	36,095
March 6	Cincinnati (ss) at Cleveland (ss)	L, 5-11 W, 7-6	9-7	Thornburg	Trivino	5,731	41,826
			10-7	Lee	Hentges	4,000	
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	INTERNET/RADIO/TV				
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) at Milwaukee (ss)	1:05 pm 1:05 pm	Tunein/NBCSCA Streaming 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/NBCSCA				

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)
- March 5 Daniel Gossett, Grant Holmes and James Kaprielian optioned to Las Vegas; Tanner Anderson, Wandisson Charles and Miguel Romero reassigned to minor league camp
- March 6 Daulton Jefferies optioned to Las Vegas; Ben Bracewell, Parker Dunshee, Ian Gardeck, Donnie Hart, Brian Howard and Zach Lee reassigned to minor league camp
- March 7 Luis Barrera, Paul Blackburn and Skye Bolt optioned to Las Vegas; Collin Theroux reassigned to minor league camp

## ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

**#30 AUSTIN ALLEN:** Is 1-for-6 (.167) with a walk over his last three games after hitting safely in each of his previous six contests (6-for-14, .429)...was acquired from San Diego Dec. 2 with a PTBNL (Buddy Reed) for Jurickson Proffar, 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.

**#1 FRANKLIN BARRETO:** Is 5-for-15 (.333) with two triples and three walks over his last six games after going 3-for-13 (.231) with no walks over his first five contests...is tied for the Cactus League lead in triples (2)...has appeared in nine games at second base and one in center field...had three stints with the A's last year and batted .123 with two home runs and five RBI in 23 games...also hit .295 with 19 home runs and 65 RBI in 98 games with Triple-A Las Vegas.

**#15 SETH BROWN:** Seven of his 11 hits are for extra bases, including a grand slam last Sunday at Kansas City...is tied for the Major League lead in hits (11), doubles (5) and extra base hits (7)...ranks third in the Cactus League in total bases (21) and tied for fourth in RBI (8)...has appeared in nine games at first base and two in left field...batted .297 with 37 home runs and 104 RBI in 112 games with Triple-A Las Vegas last year and .293 with no home runs and 13 RBI in 26 games with the A's.

**#20 MARK CANHA:** Is 0-for-5 over his last three games after going 4-for-10 (.400) over his first six contests...tied for third in the Cactus League in walks (6)...has appeared in four games in right field, four in center field and one at designated hitter...started games at five different positions last year and batted .273 with 26 home runs and 58 RBI in 126 games.

**#26 MATT CHAPMAN:** Hit his second home run Thursday against Los Angeles (NL) and has six RBI over his last six games...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:** Started the game in left field yesterday after making each of his first five starts at designated hitter...is 2-for-6 (.333) over his last three games after going 1-for-6 (.167) over his first three contests...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 May 22...was reinstated June 1 and hit .207 with 11 home runs and 44 RBI over his final 90 games.

**#11 DUSTIN FOWLER:** Is 2-for-8 (.250) with a pair of doubles over his last four games after going 0-for-14 over his first seven contests...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 4-for-11 (.364) with a home run and four RBI over his last five games after going 1-for-7 (.143) over his first four contests...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 three hits Tuesday at Chicago (AL) and is 6-for-11 (.545) with two doubles and four RBI over his last five games...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:** Is 1-for-7 (.143) over his last two games after reaching base safely via hit or walk in each of his first six games...has played four games at second base, three in left field and one at designated hitter...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:** Hit his first home run yesterday against Cincinnati and is now 3-for-5 (.600) over his last two games after going 2-for-14 (.143) over his first six...has eight RBI, which is tied for fourth in the Cactus League...batted .288 with 24 home runs and 67 RBI in 123 games last year in a season interrupted by a five-week stay on the injured list with a right lower leg stress reaction...tied for third among AL outfielders with 10 assists.

**#39 VIMAEEL MACHÍN:** Is 6-for-17 (.353) over his last seven games after going 1-for-7 over his first three...has appeared in five games at second base, three at third base, one at shortstop, one at first base and 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:** Had three hits Tuesday at Chicago (AL) after going 0-for-5 over his previous three games...has appeared in five games at shortstop, three 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:** Walked in each of his two plate appearances Monday night against the Cubs in his spring debut...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:** Is 0-for-5 over his last four games after collecting back-to-back multiple hit games...has appeared in 10 games at third base and three at second base...batted .317 with 27 home runs and 102 RBI in 126 games with Triple-A Las Vegas last year...also hit .250 with no home runs and seven RBI in 25 games with the A's in his Major League debut.

**#28 MATT OLSON:** Has three hits this spring, all for extra bases (2 doubles, 1 home run)...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:** Had his third two-hit game of the spring yesterday...has appeared in four games in right field, two at third base, two at designated hitter and one at first base...batted .240 with 13 home runs and 47 RBI in 124 games last year...started at least one game at seven different positions for the second consecutive season.

**#10 MARCUS SEMIEN:** Is 1-for-9 (.111) over his last four games after going 4-for-9 (.444) over his first five contests...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

**#44 LHP JESÚS LUZARDO:** Is scheduled to make his third start of the spring...has not allowed a run in his first two starts (5.0 ip)...opponents are 2-for-16 (.125) with no walks...had his 2019 season interrupted twice by a strained left shoulder but eventually made his Major League debut with Oakland in September...had no decisions, two saves, a 1.50 ERA and .119 opponents batting average in six relief appearances with the A's.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 25	at San Diego	S	6-9	-	0.00	2.0	1	0	0	0	2	0
Mar. 1	at Cleveland (at LV)	S	8-5	W	0.00	3.0	1	0	0	0	3	0
<b>Totals (2 games, 2 starts)</b>					<b>1-0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>

## ALSO AVAILABLE TO PITCH

**#35 LHP JAKE DIEKMANN:** Has not allowed a run in two of his four appearances...began the season with Kansas City and was 0-6 with a 4.75 ERA in 48 relief appearances when he was traded to Oakland on July 27...went 1-1 with a 4.43 ERA in 28 games with the A's and had a 4.65 ERA in a career-high 76 relief appearances overall.

Date	Opponent	Start/Rel	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR
Feb. 23	San Francisco	R	3-5	-	18.00	1.0	3	2	2	2	0	1
Feb. 26	Arizona	R	16-3	-	9.00	1.0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Mar. 1	at Kansas City	R	10-6	-	9.00	1.0	2	1	1	0	0	0
Mar. 5	Los Angeles (NL)	R	5-1	-	6.75	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	0
<b>Totals (4 games, 0 starts)</b>					<b>0-0</b>	<b>6.75</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>

**#38 LHP T.J. McFARLAND:** Allowed a run in the fifth inning on Tuesday at Chicago (AL) after tossing 2.1 scoreless innings over his first three appearances...was claimed off waivers from Arizona Nov. 4...had no decisions and a 4.82 ERA in a career-high 51 relief games 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
Feb. 29	Cleveland (at LV)	R	8-7	-	0.00	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Mar. 3	at Chicago (AL)	R	6-5	-	2.70	1.0	3	1	1	1	1	0
<b>Totals (4 games, 0 starts)</b>					<b>0-0</b>	<b>2.70</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

**#68 RHP JAIME SCHULTZ (NR):** Has not allowed a run in three of his four appearances, including his last outing Tuesday at Chicago (AL) when he picked up the save (1.0 ip)...had two stints with the Dodgers last year and compiled a 7.20 ERA in four relief appearances...spent the balance of the season at Triple-A Oklahoma City where he compiled a 2-3 record, four saves and a 5.85 ERA in a career-high 47 appearances.

**#70 RHP JORDAN WEEMS (NR):** Has not allowed a run in his first four appearances (4.0 ip), including his last outing Monday against the Cubs (1.0 ip, 2 h)...spent most of the 2019 season at Double-A Portland in the Red Sox organization...also pitched in eight games with Triple-A Pawtucket and combined to go 0-3 with eight saves and a 4.37 ERA in 41 games, including one start, overall.

**#57 RHP J.B. WENDELKEN:** Has retired the side in order in two of his four outings but has allowed four runs in 2.0 innings in the other two...was 3-1 with a 3.58 ERA and .178 opponents batting 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
Feb. 29	Cleveland (at LV)	R	8-7	-	12.00	1.0	5	3	3	0	2	1
Mar. 3	at Chicago (AL)	R	6-5	-	9.00	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
<b>Totals (4 games, 0 starts)</b>					<b>0-0</b>	<b>9.00</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>

## UPCOMING PROBABLES

### Mar. 7 at Seattle

**Mariners:** RHP Kendall Graveman, RHP Cody Anderson, LHP Taylor Guilbeau, RHP Yoshinori Hirano, RHP Dan Altavilla, RHP Brandon Brennan, RHP Art Warren

### Mar. 8 vs. Milwaukee

**A's:** RHP Frankie Montas, RHP Joakim Soria, RHP Liam Hendriks, RHP Yusmeiro Petit

**Brewers:** RHP Adrian Houser, RHP Trey Supak, LHP Clayton Andrews, RHP Thomas Jankins, RHP Aaron Wilkerson

### Mar. 9 at Texas

**A's:** RHP Chris Bassitt, RHP Brian Schmitter, LHP Lucas Luetge

**Rangers:** RHP Jonathan Hernández, RHP Edinson Vólquez, LHP Brett Martin, RHP Derek Law, RHP Nick Goody, RHP Joe Barlow