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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (0-1) VS. HOUSTON ASTROS (1-0)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020 — DODGER STADIUM — 1:37 PDT

LHP SEAN MANAEA (0-0, —) VS. LHP FRAMBER VALDEZ (1-0, 0.00)

TBS — A'S CAST ON IHEART RADIO — A'S RADIO NETWORK (960 AM, 103.7 FM HD2, 1140 AM)

A'S IN THE DIVISION SERIES: This is the A's ninth appearance in the Division Series, their first since 2013 against Detroit...have lost each of their last two ALDS appearances and six of eight overall...the two wins were in 1981 against Kansas City and 2006 against Minnesota...both of the wins were sweeps and all six losses have gone the full five games (2000, 01, 02, 03, 12, 13)...have an 18-19 record in the ALDS.

DOWN 1-0: The A's extended their losing streak in Game 1 of a postseason series to eight with a 10-5 loss yesterday...the streak dates back to the 2006 ALCS...since moving to Oakland in 1968, the A's now have a 14-16 record in Game 1 of a postseason series (includes one-game wild card game)...have come back to win the series after losing Game 1 just three times (2020 ALWC, 1974 ALCS, 1973 ALCS)...of the previous 12 losses in Game 1 of a series of three or more games, the A's have come back to win Game 2 five times...have started 0-2 seven times, most recently in the 2012 ALDS...have never come back to win a series after starting 0-2.

MORE THAN ONE GAME: Prior to this year, each of the A's previous three postseason appearances were one-game Wild Card appearances, all losses (2014, 18, 19)...have played four games this postseason and are guaranteed a minimum of six...this will be just the second time over the last 28 years the A's have played more than five postseason games in a season...the other time came in 2006 when they had seven (swept the ALDS against Minnesota, were swept in the ALCS against Detroit).

LEFT AND RIGHT: The A's are scheduled to face a left-handed starter today for the second time this postseason (Keuchel in Game 2 of the ALWCs)...are 1-0 in games started by a left-hander, 1-2 when the opponent starts a right-hander...including the regular season, the A's are 12-3 (.800) in games in which the opponent starts a left-handed pitcher compared to 26-23 (.531) when they start a right-hander.

OFFENSE: The A's are hitting .206 (26-for-126) in four postseason games, including .150 (3-for-20) with runners in scoring position...are now batting .203 (39-for-192) in six postseason games over the last three years, including .100 (3-for-30) with RISP.

PITCHING: The A's have used eight pitchers in each of the last two games, marking the fourth time in postseason history a team has done that in at least two straight games (the Padres have done it in all three of their games this year)...the A's pitching staff has more home runs allowed (14) than walks (13) in six postseason games over the last three years...allowed 10 runs yesterday, which marks the fourth time in Athletics history the A's yielded 10 or more runs in a postseason game (last: 11 in Game 4 of the 2002 ALDS at Minnesota)...four of the runs were unearned, which were their most in a postseason game since yielding seven in Game 4 of the 2002 ALDS against Minnesota...allowed 16 hits, which are third most in a postseason game in Athletics history and the most since allowing 17 in Game 4 of the 1992 ALCS against Toronto.

STARTING PITCHING: A's starting pitchers have tossed four innings or fewer in five of the A's six postseason games over the last three years...have 19.0 innings pitched in those six games (3.17 per game) and are 1-3 with a 6.63 ERA (14 er).

RELIEF PITCHING: The A's bullpen allowed seven runs yesterday, which was second most in A's postseason history (8 vs. New York in Game 2 of the 1981 ALCS)...the pen has a win, a loss, two saves, a blown save and a 4.05 ERA (9 er in 20.0 ip) this postseason...are 5-4 with six saves, three blown saves and a 4.24 ERA (44 er in 93.1 ip) in 29 games dating back to Sept. 4.

OAKLAND DAYS: The A's have played day games in each of their four postseason games this year (starting times: 12:08, 12:10, 12:10, 1:08) and are scheduled for at least two more this series...will play at least six straight postseason day games for the first time since playing eight straight from Oct. 20, 1973 (WS G#6) to Oct. 13, 1974 (WS G#2)...closed out the regular season with three consecutive day games and have not played nine straight day games at any point since 1973 when their final two regular season games and first seven

MLB POSTSEASON BESTS

MOST POSTSEASONS

56	Yankees
34	Dodgers
30	Cardinals
29	Athletics
26	Giants
26	Braves

MOST WINS

240	Yankees
134	Cardinals
111	Dodgers
102	Red Sox
98	Giants
84	Athletics
83	Braves

postseason games were day games (credit: Elias)...played 30 of their 60 regular season games during the day, which was five more than any other team...became the first team other than the Cubs to play at least half their games during the day since the Giants in 1994 (61-of-115, 53.0%)...the last time the A's played at least half of their games during the day was in 1960 when they played 78-of-155 (50.3%).

NEUTRAL SITE GAMES: The A's played their first postseason neutral site game yesterday...have played 14 neutral site games during the regular season since moving to Oakland in 1968, including six home games in Tokyo (2008, 12 and 19), six home games in Las Vegas (1996) and two road games at County Stadium in Milwaukee against the White Sox (1968 and 69).

DODGER STADIUM: Yesterday was the A's fifth postseason game at Dodger Stadium as the A's and Dodgers have met twice in the World Series (1974 and 1988)...split Games 1 and 2 in 1974 and lost Games 1 and 2 in 1988...are 7-11 (.389) at Dodger Stadium during the regular season and 8-15 (.348) overall...including 1-3 this year as the A's faced the Dodgers here Sept. 22-24.

GO THE DISTANCE: Each of the A's previous six postseason series (including three one-game Wild Card games) have ended with a winner-take-all game...snapped a Major League record nine-game losing streak in winner-take-all postseason games with a win over Chicago in the ALWCs this year...it was the A's first victory in a winner-take-all postseason game since Game 7 of the 1973 World Series, a 5-2 win over New York...10 of the A's previous 12 postseason series have gone the distance.

POSTSEASON STRUGGLES: The win over Chicago in the ALWCs was just the A's second in their last 14 postseason series (also 2006 ALDS against Minnesota)...have lost 15 of their last 17 postseason games with a chance to clinch the series (includes one-game wild card games)...won 11 of their first 15 postseason series in Oakland through the 1990 ALCS.

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE: With appearances by T.J. McFarland and Jordan Weems yesterday, 27 of the 28 players on the A's Division Series roster have now appeared in a postseason game...the exception is Jonah Heim...six players have played for the A's in each of the last three postseasons (Canha, Davis, Hendriks, Laureano, Olson, Semien)...La Stella has the most postseason experience as this is his fifth year (has played 16 games)...Soria (12 games), Diekman (11 games) and Hendriks (7 games) have played in four postseasons.

A's vs. ASTROS: This series is the first postseason meeting between the A's and Astros...Oakland won the season series during the regular season this year for the first time since 2014 as they went 7-3 (.700)...that was the A's best record against Houston since going 15-4 (.789) in 2013...went 7-1 in Oakland and 0-2 in Houston...were originally scheduled to play three games in Houston but the final game was postponed following an A's positive Covid-19 test and made up as a doubleheader in the Coliseum on Sept. 8...the seven home wins matched the A's most against the Astros (2013)...have won 13 of their last 18 regular season games against Houston dating back to Aug. 15, 2019...the A's won each of the first four season series (31-13) but lost five straight from 2015-19 (37-58)...are 75-74 all-time during the regular season, including 42-35 in Oakland and 33-39 in Houston.

THIS DATE IN ATHLETICS HISTORY

In 1930 George Earnshaw and Lefty Grove combine to shutout St. Louis 2-0 on three hits in game five of the World Series...in 1931 George Earnshaw tosses a 3-0 shutout against St. Louis to even the World Series at two games each...in 1974 Ken Holtzman tosses a five-hit, 5-0 shutout against Baltimore in Game 2 of the ALCS...Ray Fosse singles, doubles and homers and drives in three runs in the A's win...in 1981 Mike Norris pitches a four-hit shutout as the A's defeat Kansas City 4-0 in the first game of the Division Series...in 1988 Walt Weiss' two-out ninth inning single breaks a 3-3 tie and lifts the A's to a 4-3 win at Fenway Park in Game 2 of the ALCS against Boston...in 1990 trailing 1-0 after six innings in Game 1 of the ALCS at Boston, the A's score nine runs in the final three innings for a 9-1 win...in 2006 Marco Scutaro ties what was then an A's post season record with four RBI as Oakland defeats Minnesota 8-3 to sweep the ALDS...in 2013 Stephen Vogt breaks a scoreless tie with a walk-off RBI single in the bottom of the ninth inning as the A's defeat Detroit 1-0 in Game 2 of the ALDS.

AMERICAN LEAGUE DIVISION SERIES RESULTS AND PROBABLES

Mon, Oct. 5 vs. Houston (Home)	L, 5-10	Win: Taylor	Loss: Wendelken	Save: None	
Tue., Oct. 6 vs. Houston (Home)	LHP Sean Manaea (0-0, —) vs. LHP Framber Valdez (1-0, 0.00)				1:37 TBS/iHeart Radio/960 AM
Wed., Oct. 7 vs. Houston (Away)	TBA vs. TBA				12:35 TBS/iHeart Radio/960 AM
Thu., Oct. 8 vs. Houston (Away)	(if necessary)				12:35 TBS/iHeart Radio/960 AM
Fri., Oct. 9 vs. Houston (Home)	(if necessary)				12:35 TBS/iHeart Radio/960 AM

WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONS
1910 • 1911 • 1913 • 1929 • 1930 • 1972 • 1973 • 1974 • 1989

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER: SEAN MANAEA (0-0, — ERA IN POSTSEASON)

POSTSEASON: Is scheduled to make his second appearance and start of his postseason career...his first came in the 2019 ALWC against Tampa Bay and he was the losing pitcher in the A's 5-1 loss...was on the A's ALWCS roster against Chicago this year but did not pitch.

TRENDING: Went 4-1 with a 2.65 ERA (10 er in 34.0 ip) and .234 (30-for-128) opponents batting average over his final six starts dating back to Aug. 20... the wins tied for fourth most in the majors over that span (regular season)... allowed one run in three of those starts and three in the other three...walked one batter or fewer in all six starts, including zero three times...went 2-1 with a 3.32 ERA and .182 opponents batting average in four starts during the day and is now 18-5 with a 3.22 ERA and .212 opponents batting average in 36 career day games...is 0-1 with a 4.09 ERA (11.0 ip, 13 h, 5 r, 5 er, 2 bb, 9 so, 4 hr) in two career starts in Dodger Stadium...including a no decision on Sept. 23 this year in a 6-4 A's win (6.0 ip, 6 h, 3 r, 3 er, 1 bb, 4 so, 2 hr)...the other start came on April 10, 2018, a loss in a 4-0 decision (5.0 ip, 7 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 bb, 5 so, 2 hr).

LAST START: He had a no decision in the A's 6-4 win at Los Angeles (NL) on Sept. 23...the A's scored three times in the first inning and he allowed a two-run home run to Muncy in the third...retired 10 of the next 11 batters and had a 4-2 lead when he allowed a leadoff home run to Bellinger in the seventh...was relieved by Soria following the homer and Diekmann allowed a run in the eighth for the blown save.

MANAEA'S CAREER POSTSEASON STARTS

Series	Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	#PIT
2019 ALWC	Oct. 2	Tampa Bay	1-5	L	2.0	4	4	4	0	5	3	46

MANAEA vs. HOUSTON: Is 3-5 with a 3.27 ERA (71.2 ip, 64 h, 30 r, 26 er, 21 bb, 62 so, 7 hr) in 13 career starts... has received no run support in four of those starts and two runs or fewer eight times...is 1-3 with a 4.42 ERA (19 er in 38.2 ip) in seven starts in Oakland, 2-2 with a 1.91 ERA (7 er in 33.0 ip) in six starts in Houston...was the winning pitcher in his only start this year, a 3-1 A's win in Oakland on Sept. 10... retired each of the first 15 batters he faced before Reddick doubled to lead off the sixth...Diaz singled him to third and Reddick scored when Maldonado grounded into a double play...retired each of the final five batters he faced.

STARTS VS. HOUSTON

DATE	H/A	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
4/29/16	H	-	5.0	4	4	4	4	3
7/10/16	A	-	7.0	5	0	0	0	6
8/29/16	A	L	3.1	1	2	0	2	4
9/20/16	H	-	6.0	3	0	0	2	7
4/15/17	H	-	5.0	0	2	1	5	6
6/21/17	H	L	6.0	7	3	3	2	8
6/27/17	A	W	5.2	9	1	1	3	3
8/18/17	A	L	6.0	6	3	3	1	2
4/27/18	A	W	7.0	4	1	0	1	7
5/8/18	H	L	5.2	7	4	4	0	3
7/10/18	A	-	4.0	7	3	3	1	4
8/19/18	H	L	4.0	9	6	6	0	5
9/10/20	H	W	7.0	2	1	1	0	4

MANAEA'S CAREER MATCHUPS VS. HOUSTON

Player	Bat	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SH	SF	HBP	GDP	AVG	OBP	SLG
Jose Altuve	R	29	5	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	0	0	1	.172	.200	.276
Michael Brantley	L	9	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	.111	.111	.111
Alex Bregman	R	23	6	0	0	3	4	5	4	0	0	1	0	.261	.414	.652
Carlos Correa	R	24	5	0	0	0	1	6	10	0	0	0	0	.208	.367	.208
Aledmys Diaz	R	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	.250	.250	.250
Yuli Gurriel	R	29	8	1	0	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	1	.276	.276	.414
Martin Maldonado	R	10	5	2	1	0	3	0	1	0	0	1	1	.500	.545	.900
Josh Reddick	L	10	4	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	.400	.400	.500
George Springer	R	34	11	1	0	0	6	3	10	0	0	1	1	.324	.395	.353
Kyle Tucker	L	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	.333	.500	.667

ATHLETICS BULLPEN BRIEFS

35 LHP JAKE DIEKMANN

Last Outing: 10/5 vs. Houston (DS G#1) (ND, 0.2 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 0 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-0, 1 sv, 4 g (2.1 ip, 1 h, 2 bb, 1 so, 0.00 ERA)

- Has pitched in each of the A's four games this postseason...has not allowed a run (2.1 ip) and opponents are 1-for-8 (.125)...however, has walked two batters in 2.1 innings and allowed 2-of-6 (33.3%) inherited runners to score...has now pitched in each of the A's five postseason games over the last two years.
- Made his seventh career Division Series appearance yesterday (7.2 ip, 8 h, 4 r, 4 er, 2 bb, 6 so, 1 hr, 4.70 ERA), which includes four games in 2015 and two in 2016, both with Texas against Toronto.
- Has a save and a 3.72 ERA (9.2 ip, 8 h, 4 r, 4 er, 4 bb, 7 so, 1 hr) in 11 career postseason appearances.
- Has not allowed an earned run in 24 of his 25 games this year...has a 0.38 ERA (1 er in 23.2 ip) and .115 (9-for-78) opponents batting average but has walked 14 in 23.2 innings.
- Has faced Houston five times this year and has not allowed a run (5.2 ip, 2 h, 2 bb, 3 so)...has not yielded a run in his last 17 games against the Astros dating back to April 13, 2018 (16.0 ip, 7 h, 6 bb, 13 so) and has allowed 1-of-5 inherited runners to score over that span...has a 0.82 ERA (3 er in 32.2 ip) in 39 career appearances against Houston.
- Was credited with the save in Game 2 of the ALWCS...has seven career saves during the regular season with the last coming on June 20, 2018 for Texas at Kansas City

50 RHP MIKE FIERS

Last Outing: 10/1 vs. Chicago (WC G#3)-GS (ND, 1.2 ip, 5 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 2 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-0, 0 sv, 1 g, 1 gs (1.2 ip, 5 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 2 so, 1 hr, 5.40 ERA)

- Made his A's postseason debut with a start in Game 3 of the ALWCS last Thursday and had a no decision in the A's 6-4 win...was on the A's Wild Card roster last year but did not pitch...was not on the roster in 2018.
- Has one other postseason appearance and it came in relief in Game 5 of the 2015 ALDS for Houston at Kansas City (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er).
- Has made 19 career regular season relief appearances and is 1-3 with a 5.40 ERA...his last came on Sept. 28, 2018 at Los Angeles (AL) in relief of opener Lou Trivino (3.1 ip, 7 h, 6 r, 6 er, 3 so, 2 hr).
- Did not face the Astros this year...is 1-3 with a 7.46 ERA (41.0 ip, 55 h, 34 r, 34 er, 11 bb, 30 so, 18 hr) in eight career starts against Houston.
- Is 1-1 with a 2.25 ERA (12.0 ip, 10 h, 3 r, 3 er, 1 bb, 6 so, 1 hr) in two career starts in Dodger Stadium.

16 RHP LIAM HENDRIKS

Last Outing: 10/1 vs. Chicago (WC G#3) (S, 1.0 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 3 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-0, 1 sv, 2 g (2.2 ip, 5 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 bb, 8 so, 6.75 ERA)

- Has recorded eight outs this postseason, all by strikeout...has now pitched in four of the A's six postseason games over the last three years and has a loss and a save (4.2 ip, 6 h, 4 r, 4 er, 2 bb, 10 so, 2 hr, 7.71 ERA).
- Has one career ALDS appearance and it came for Toronto in Game 2 in 2015 against Texas (0.1 ip, 1 h).
- Has a 6.52 ERA (9.2 ip, 11 h, 7 r, 7 er, 2 bb, 12 so, 2 hr) in seven career postseason appearances.
- Has allowed five runs in his last three appearances this year (4.0 ip, 7 h, 5 r, 5 er, 1 bb, 9 so, 11.25 ERA) after allowing just three runs on 12 hits over his first 23 games (1.13 ERA).
- Had a win and converted all three of his save opportunities in five appearances against Houston this year (5.0 ip, 4 h, 1 r, 1 er, 8 so)...has a 1.17 ERA (2 er in 15.1 ip) and has converted all six save opportunities in 13 games against the Astros over the last three years.
- Threw 49 pitches in Game 2 of the ALWCS, which were his most in any game (regular season or postseason) since he had 59 in 4.1 innings of relief for Toronto in Game 4 of the 2015 ALCS against Kansas City...the 1.2 innings pitched matched his high from the regular season this year (Sept. 16 at Colorado)...struck out five, which matches his most as an Athletic (April 27, 2016 at Detroit; Aug. 29, 2019 at Kansas City).

44 LHP JESUS LUZARDO

Last Outing: 9/29 vs. Chicago (WC G#1)-GS (L, 3.1 ip, 6 h, 3 r, 3 er, 0 bb, 5 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-1, 0 sv, 1 g, 1 gs (3.1 ip, 6 h, 3 r, 3 er, 5 so, 2 hr, 8.10 ERA)

- Made his first career postseason start in Game 1 of the ALWCS and was the losing pitcher in the A's 4-1 loss...the start came one day before his 23rd birthday, making him the eighth youngest pitcher in Athletics history to start a postseason game.
- Also pitched 3.0 scoreless innings of relief in the Wild Card game last year and is 0-1 with a 4.26 ERA (6.1 ip, 7 h, 3 r, 3 er, 2 bb, 9 so, 2 hr) in two career postseason appearances.
- Has made 10 career relief appearances in the regular season and postseason and has a 2.92 ERA (8 er in 24.2 ip)...had three this year (6 er in 9.2 ip, 5.59 ERA), most recently on Sept. 24 at Los Angeles-NL (3.0 ip, 3 h, 3 r, 3 er, 3 bb, 0 so)...that outing is his only career appearance in Dodger Stadium.
- Is 1-0 with a 2.87 ERA (15.2 ip, 10 h, 5 r, 5 er, 3 bb, 14 so, 4 hr) in three career appearances against Houston, including two starts.

38 LHP T.J. MCFARLAND

Last Outing: 10/5 vs. Houston (DS G#1) (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-0, 0 sv, 1 g (1.0 ip, 1 so, 0.00 ERA)

- Made his postseason debut yesterday with a scoreless inning of relief... was on the A's Wild Card Series roster but did not pitch.
- Has allowed at least one run in six of his nine outings dating back to Sept. 4 for a 9.72 ERA (9 er in 8.1 ip) and .395 (15-for-38) opponents batting average...has walked three and allowed four home runs in 8.1 innings.
- Has not allowed a run in three games against Houston this year (2.1 ip, 2 h, 1 bb, 1 so).
- Has a 1.74 ERA (10.1 ip, 7 h, 2 r, 2 er, 2 bb, 6 so, 1 hr) in 10 career outings at Dodger Stadium.

23 LHP MIKE MINOR

Last Outing: 10/5 vs. Houston (DS G#1) (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-0, 0 sv, 1 g (1.0 ip, 1 so, 1 hbp, 0.00 ERA)

- Made his first appearance of the 2020 postseason yesterday and it came in relief...was on the A's Wild Card Series roster but did not pitch.
- Has made 67 career relief appearance during the regular season and is 6-6 with six saves and a 2.70 ERA (24 er in 80.0 ip)...65 of those games came with Kansas City in 2015...prior to yesterday, his last relief appearance came in his A's debut on Sept. 4 against San Diego (1.0 ip, 2 h, 2 r, 2 er, 2 hr).
- Yesterday was his second career postseason appearance and both have come in the Division Series...started in Game 2 of the 2013 NLDS for Atlanta against Los Angeles and was the winning pitcher in the Braves 4-3 win (6.1 ip, 8 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 5 so).
- Is 0-0 in two games, including one start, against Houston this year (4.1 ip, 3 h, 4 r, 4 er, 2 bb, 5 so).
- Is 1-0 with a 2.57 ERA (14.0 ip, 14 h, 4 r, 4 er, 3 bb, 10 so, 1 hr) in four career appearances, including three starts, at Dodger Stadium.

47 RHP FRANKIE MONTAS

Last Outing: 10/1 vs. Chicago (WC G#3) (W, 2.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 0 bb, 2 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-0, 0 sv, 1 g (2.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 so, 4.50 ERA)

- Made his postseason debut in Game 3 of the ALWCS...pitched the fourth and fifth innings and was credited with the win.
- His relief appearance against the White Sox last Thursday was his first since Sept. 19, 2018 and he is 2-1 with a 5.61 ERA (27 er in 43.1 ip) in 31 career relief appearances during the regular season and postseason.
- Has a 1.13 ERA (8.0 ip, 6 h, 3 r, 1 er, 2 bb, 15 so) over his last two appearances this year after going 1-4 with a 10.88 ERA over his previous six starts.
- Was 2-1 with a 4.11 ERA (15.1 ip, 14 h, 7 r, 7 er, 3 bb, 14 so, 2 hr) in three starts against Houston this year.

36 RHP YUSMEIRO PETIT

Last Outing: 10/5 vs. Houston (DS G#1) (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-0, 0 sv, 3 g (3.1 ip, 4 h, 2 r, 2 er, 3 so, 5.40 ERA)

- Has pitched in three of the A's four games this postseason and has stranded all five of his inherited runners...has now worked in four of the A's five postseason games over the last two years (6.0 ip, 6 h, 3 r, 3 er, 0 bb, 5 so, 1 hr)...was on the Wild Card roster in 2018 but did not pitch.
- Yesterday was his second career Division Series appearance and he has not allowed a run in 7.0 innings (1 h, 3 bb, 8 so)...tossed 6.0 scoreless innings of relief for the win in San Francisco's 2-1, 18-inning at Washington in Game 2 of the 2014 NLDS...that remains as the longest scoreless outing by a reliever in a postseason game since Bruce Kison in the 1971 World Series (6.1 ip).
- Is now 3-0 with a 2.41 ERA (5 er in 18.2 ip) in eight career postseason outings.
- Has not allowed a run in 17 of his last 19 appearances dating back to Aug. 12 (3 er in 17.0 ip, 1.59 ERA).
- Has not allowed a run in four appearances against Houston this year (3.0 ip, 2 h, 3 bb, 3 so) but has allowed 3-of-7 inherited runners to score...has a 1.32 ERA (2 er in 13.2 ip) in 12 games against the Astros over the last two years.

48 RHP JOAKIM SORIA

Last Outing: 10/1 vs. Chicago (WC G#3) (ND, 1.0 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 1 bb, 0 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-0, 0 sv, 2 g (2.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 1 so, 1 hr, 4.50 ERA)

- Pitched in Game 1 and 3 of the ALWCS...was on the A's Wild Card roster last year but did not pitch.
- Has a win, a loss, a blown save and a 12.27 ERA (3.2 ip, 5 h, 5 r, 5 er, 3 bb, 5 so) in five career appearances in the DS (2014 with Detroit, 2018 with Milwaukee).

ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

20 MARK CANHA

Current Streak: 0 for 6
AL Division Series: 1 g, 0-3, rbi, 2 so, sf
2020 Postseason: 4 g, 1-13 (.077), r, 2 rbi, 2 bb, 3 so, sf

- Has started each of the A's last five postseason games at three different positions (three in right field, one in left field, one in center field)...has played in all six of the A's postseason games over the last three years and is 1-for-17 (.059) with two RBI and three walks.
- Is 9-for-32 (.281) with three doubles, a home run, nine RBI and nine walks (2 sf, .419 on-base percentage) over his last 11 games this year.
- Is 6-for-35 (.171) with six walks in 11 games against Houston this year.
- Singled in the first inning in Game 3 of the ALWCS after going 0-for-10 to start his postseason career.

2 KHRIS DAVIS

Current Streak: 4 games (5 for 13)
AL Division Series: 1 g, 2-4, r, hr, 2 rbi, 2 so
2020 Postseason: 3 g, 4-12 (.333), 2 r, 2 hr, 3 rbi, 4 so

- Hit his second home run in three postseason games yesterday games after homering twice in 30 regular season games...now has three career postseason home runs, which is tied for ninth most in Oakland history.
- Has hit safely in each of his three postseason games this year...has now started five of the A's six postseason games over the last three years at designated hitter...is 5-for-20 (.250) with three home runs, five RBI and nine strikeouts.

- Has yielded at least one run in five of his 12 career postseason appearances...is 1-1 with a blown save and a 10.38 ERA (8.2 ip, 11 h, 10 r, 10 er, 7 bb, 12 so, 1 hr) in those 12 games.
- Has not allowed a run in four of his last five games this year (5.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 bb, 2 so, 1 hr).
- Faced Houston three times this year (3.0 ip, 4 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 so)...has a 2.51 ERA (9 er in 32.1 ip) in 33 career appearances against the Astros.
- Has seven career appearances in Dodger Stadium (5.2 ip, 5 h, 3 r, 3 er, 2 bb, 4 so)...including three in the 2018 NLCS for Milwaukee (1.2 ip, 3 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 bb, 2 so).

62 RHP LOU TRIVINO

Last Outing: 10/5 vs. Houston (DS G#1) (ND, 0.2 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 0 bb, 1 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-0, 0 sv, 2 g (1.1 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 so, 1 hr, 6.75 ERA)

- Allowed a home run to Correa in the seventh inning yesterday, his first run in three career postseason appearances (4.1 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 5 so, 2 hr, 2.08 ERA).
- Has a 7.71 ERA (7.0 ip, 6 h, 6 r, 6 er, 5 bb, 8 so, 3 hr) over his last eight games this year after allowing no runs over his previous 10 contests (12.2 ip).
- Has faced Houston four times this year (4.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 3 so, 1 hr).
- His Game 3 outing last Wednesday against Chicago in the ALWCS came on his 29th birthday...joins Dennis Eckersley as the only pitchers in Athletics postseason history to pitch in a game on his birthday...Eck did it on his 35th birthday in Game 1 of the 1989 ALCS.

70 RHP JORDAN WEEMS

Last Outing: 10/5 vs. Houston (DS G#1) (ND, 0.0 ip, 2 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 bb, 0 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-0, 0 sv, 1 g (0.0 ip, 2 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 bb)

- The rookie right-hander was not on the A's Wild Card Series roster but was added to the Division Series roster yesterday and made his postseason debut...did not retire any of the three batters he faced (2 h, 1 bb) and was charged with two runs.
- Has allowed five runs over his last four appearances dating back to Sept. 20 (3.0 ip, 6 h, 5 r, 5 er, 6 bb, 3 so) after yielding no runs over his previous five games (8.0 ip).
- Did not face Houston in the regular season.

57 RHP J.B. WENDELKEN

Last Outing: 10/5 vs. Houston (DS G#1) (BS/L, 0.2 ip, 3 h, 4 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)
2020 Postseason: 0-1, 0 sv, 1 bs, 3 g (4.2 ip, 4 h, 4 r, 0 er, 4 so, 0.00 ERA)

- Was charged with four runs in 0.2 innings of work yesterday for the blown save and loss...all four runs were unearned, which tied for third most by a reliever in MLB postseason history...three of the eight runs he allowed during the regular season were unearned.
- Has allowed six runs in four games against Houston this year, all of which have been unearned...has a win, two losses and a blown save in those games (6.2 ip, 7 h, 6 r, 0 er, 2 bb, 7 so)...has a 0.69 ERA (1 er in 13.0 ip) in seven career appearances against the Astros.
- Has pitched in three of the A's four postseason games this year and has not allowed an earned run (4.1 ip)...was on the A's Wild Card roster in each of the previous two seasons but did not pitch.
- Has not allowed an earned run in 17 of his last 18 appearances dating back to Aug. 14...has a 0.79 ERA (2 er in 22.2 ip) and .181 (15-for-83) opponents batting average over that span.

- Is batting .308 (12-for-39) with three home runs and seven RBI in 14 games since played resumed on Sept. 4...homered just once over his first 19 contests.
- Seven of his last 10 starts have come in games started by a left-handed pitcher.
- Is 5-for-19 (.263) with two doubles and two home runs in five games against Houston this year.

8 ROBBIE GROSSMAN

Current Streak: 1 game (1 for 4)
AL Division Series: 1 g, 1-4, 2b, so
2020 Postseason: 3 g, 1-11 (.091), r, 2b, bb, 3 so

- Has started three of the A's four postseason games in left field...all three starts have come against right-handed pitchers as did all 45 of his starts during the regular season...is now 3-for-15 (.200) in four postseason games with the A's over the last two year.
- Made his Division Series debut yesterday.
- Is 3-for-19 (.182) in five career postseason games.
- Is 7-for-45 (.156) over his last 13 games this year but five of the seven hits are for extra bases (two doubles, three home runs).
- Is hitting .265 (9-for-34) with two home runs and three RBI in 10 games against Houston this year...has six career home runs against the Astros, which match his most against any team (Red Sox).

37 JONAH HEIM

Current Streak: 0 for 8
AL Wild Card Series: On roster, did not play

- The rookie catcher was on the A's Wild Card Series roster but did not play.
- Went 1-for-14 over his final five regular season games.
- Was 0-for-7 in three games against Houston.

5 TONY KEMP

Current Streak: 2 games (1 for 4)
AL Wild Card Series: On roster, did not play

- Was on the A's Wild Card Series roster but did not appear in a game.
- Played in six postseason games for Houston in 2018 (one in the ALDS and five in the ALCS) and was 4-for-14 (.286) with a double, home run and five walks...made one start at designated hitter in the ALDS against Cleveland (1-for-3, 2 runs, 2 walks) and three in left field in the ALCS against Boston.
- Went 5-for-17 (.294) over his final nine regular season games.
- The former Astro is 4-for-13 (.308) with five walks (1 hbp, 1 sf, .500 on-base percentage) in eight career games against Houston, all this year.

4 JAKE LAMB

Current Streak: 0 for 7
AL Division Series: 1 g, 0-2, so, gidp
2020 Postseason: 4 g, 1-7 (.143), so, gidp

- Has started three of the A's four postseason games, all at third base, and has played in all four games...is 1-for-7 (.143) against right-handed pitchers and has not batted against a left-hander.
- Played in three NLDS games with Arizona in 2017 and is now 2-for-10 (.200) in four career Division Series games.
- Is batting .350 (7-for-20) with no extra base hits and no RBI in eight career postseason games.
- Is hitting .250 (13-for-52) with four doubles, three home runs and nine RBI in 17 games since signing with the A's as a free agent on Sept. 14.
- Is 0-for-4 in two games against Houston this year.
- Is 1-for-13 (.077) in four games at Dodger Stadium this year and is a .205 (24-for-117) career hitter in this park, which includes three LDS games (2-for-7, .286).

3 TOMMY LA STELLA

Current Streak: 8 games (9 for 27)
AL Division Series: 1 g, 1-4, so
2020 Postseason: 4 g, 4-15 (.267), 3 r, bb, 3 so

- Has started at second base and hit safely in all four games this postseason this year...is 4-for-15 (.267) after going 0-for-13 over his first 12 career postseason games.
- Is 1-for-6 (.167) with a walk in five career Division Series games as he also played in three consecutive NLDS for the Cubs from 2015-17.
- Is 4-for-28 (.143) with two walks in 16 career games in the postseason.
- Has hit safely in each of his last eight games this year (9-for-27, .333).
- Is 9-for-36 (.250) against Houston this year but is a .172 (10-for-58) career hitter against the Astros.

22 RAMON LAUREANO

Current Streak: 0 for 9
AL Division Series: 1 g, 0-4, so
2020 Postseason: 4 g, 2-15 (.133), r, rbi, 5 so

- Has started all four games this postseason in center field and has started all six of the A's postseason games over the last three years (five in center field, one in right field)...is 3-for-21 (.143) with two RBI and a walk.
- Is 6-for-44 (.136) over his last 13 games dating back to Sept. 16.
- Went 0-for-4 yesterday after reaching base safely in all 10 regular season games against Houston...is 11-for-39 (.282) with three doubles, a triple, a home run, four RBI, two walks and four hit by pitches in 11 games against the Astros this year and is a .302 (29-for-96) career hitter against Houston.

12 SEAN MURPHY

Current Streak: 6 games (6 for 18)
AL Division Series: 1 g, 1-4, r, hr, rbi, so
2020 Postseason: 4 g, 4-12 (.333), 4 r, 2 hr, 3 rbi, 2 bb, 2 so

- Homered yesterday after homering in the final game of the ALWCS...it is 12th time in Athletics postseason history a player has homered in back-to-back games, the first since Dave Parker in 1989 (ALCS Games 2 and 3)...has hit two of the five home runs by a rookie in Athletics postseason history (Wally Schang, 1913 WS G#3; Terrence Long, 2000 ALDS G#3; Mark Ellis, 2002 ALDS G#5).
- Has hit safely in all four games this postseason and has now started all five A's postseason games at catcher over the last two years...is 4-for-13 (.308) with four runs, two home runs, three RBI and two walks.
- Has reached base safely in each of last 20 games dating back to Sept. 4...is batting .288 (17-for-59) with 17 runs, seven home runs, 12 RBI and 14 walks over that stretch...has a .425 on-base percentage and 1.103 OPS.
- Is 4-for-19 (.211) with two home runs, four RBI and six walks in eight games against Houston this year...is a .286 (8-for-28) career hitter against the Astros with five home runs and nine RBI in 11 games...has eight home runs against all other teams.

28 MATT OLSON

Current Streak: 1 game (1 for 3)
AL Division Series: 1 g, 1-3, 2 r, hr, rbi, bb, so
2020 Postseason: 4 g, 1-12 (.083), 2 r, hr, 2 rbi, 4 bb, 7 so

- Hit his first career postseason home run yesterday.
- Has started each of the A's six postseason games over the last three years at first base and is 2-for-17 (.118) with a home run, two RBI, seven walks (.375 on-base percentage) and eight strikeouts.
- The home run yesterday was his first since Sept. 18 and he is now batting .148 (9-for-61) with two home runs, six RBI and 33 strikeouts over his last 19 games dating back to Sept. 13.
- Is 5-for-39 (.128) against Houston this year but four of the hits are home runs and he has nine RBI in 11 games...has 16 home runs and 42 RBI in his career against the Astros, both his best marks against any team.
- Is 6-for-19 (.316) with one home run in six career games at Dodger Stadium.

45 NATE ORF

Current Streak: 0 for 7
AL Wild Card Series: 1 g, 0-0

- Made his postseason debut in Game 2 of the ALWCS as a defensive replacement at second base in the ninth inning...did not bat.
- Has never played against Houston in his career.
- Was selected from the A's alternate site on Sept. 13 and went 0-for-7 in six games.

18 CHAD PINDER

Current Streak: 0 for 2
AL Division Series: 1 g, 0-1, bb
2020 Postseason: 4 g, 3-10 (.300), 2 rbi, 2 bb, 2 so

- Has played in all four games this postseason, including two starts at third base and one at designated hitter...is 1-for-2 as a pinch hitter...was on the A's Wild Card roster in each of the previous two seasons but did not play in either game.
- Had a pinch hit single in the third inning of Game 3 of the ALWCS and remained in the game...ended up going 2-for-3 with a walk and two RBI to become the first non-starter in A's postseason history to reach base safely three times in a game...joins Vic Davalillo (1973 ALCS Game 1) as the only non-starter with two hits and Jim Holt (1974 WS Game 4) and Doc Cramer (1931 WS Game 7) as the only non-starters with two RBI.
- Was reinstated from the injured list Sept. 27 (strained right hamstring) and has played in each of the A's five games since then...is 4-for-13 (.308) with three RBI and three walks over that span.
- Is 5-for-14 (.357) in seven games against Houston this year and is a .282 (35-for-124) career hitter against the Astros with seven home runs and 19 RBI...the home runs and RBI are his most against any team.

25 STEPHEN PISCOTTY

Current Streak: 0 for 13
AL Wild Card Series: 1 g, 0-3, so, gidp

- Has made two career postseason starts for the A's, both in right field (2020 ALWCS Game 2 and 2018 WC)...is 0-for-6 with a walk and three strikeouts...was not on the A's Wild Card roster last year.
- Also played in four postseason games for St. Louis in the 2015 NLDS against Chicago, all starts (three at first base, one in right field)...went 6-for-16 (.375) with five runs, three home runs and six RBI.
- Is 4-for-41 (.098) with no extra base hits and one RBI over his last 12 games dating back to Sept. 12.
- Went 4-for-15 (.235) in six games against Houston this year.
- Is 8-for-42 (.190) with no extra base hits and one RBI in 11 career games at Dodger Stadium.

10 MARCUS SEMIEN

Current Streak: 3 games (5 for 12)
AL Division Series: 1 g, 2-4, r
2020 Postseason: 4 g, 5-16 (.313), 3 r, 2b, hr, 2 rbi, bb, so

- Has back-to-back multiple hit games (4-for-8, .500).
- Has started each of the A's six postseason games over the last three years at shortstop and is 7-for-24 (.292) with a home run and two RBI...the home run came in Game 2 of the ALWCS this year.
- Is 9-for-32 (.281) over his last eight games dating back to Sept. 24.
- Has committed an error in back-to-back games and has three errors over his last five games.
- Is 7-for-32 (.219) in eight games against Houston this year.

A'S CAREER HITTING VS. VALDEZ

PLAYER	BAT	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SH	SF	HBP	GIDP	AVG	OBP	SLG
Seth Brown	L	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Mark Canha	R	5	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	.600	.667	.600
Matt Chapman	R	3	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	.333	.333	.333
Khristian Davis	R	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.200	.200	.200
Robbie Grossman	S	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.200	.000
Ramon Laureano	R	4	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	.250	.250	.250
Sean Murphy	R	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Matt Olson	L	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Chad Pinder	R	5	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	.400	.400	.400
Stephen Piscotty	R	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	.333	.333	.667
Marcus Semien	R	4	2	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	.500	.500	1.250