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## OAKLAND ATHLETICS (0-2) VS. HOUSTON ASTROS (2-0)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2020 — DODGER STADIUM — 12:35 PDT

LHP JESÚS LUZARDO (0-1, 8.10) VS. RHP JOSE URQUIDY (0-0, 2.08)

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**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 18-20 record in the ALDS.

**DOWN 0-2:** The A's have started a postseason series 0-2 for the ninth time in Athletics history (last: 2012 ALDS)...have never come back to win a series after starting 0-2 and have been swept six times...the last time the A's were swept in a postseason series of more than one game was the 2006 ALCS against Detroit (0-4)...have lost three straight games during the regular season just three times over the last 162 games dating back to June 4, 2019.

**ELIMINATION GAMES:** Today, the A's will be facing elimination for the 10th time in 19 postseason games dating back to 2012...are 4-5 in the previous nine games, including wins in back-to-back games in the 2020 ALWCS against Chicago after losing the first game...that snapped a five-game losing streak when facing elimination...are 5-10 when facing elimination dating back to 2000.

**STARTING PITCHING:** A's starting pitchers have tossed fewer than five innings in four of the five games this postseason and are 1-2 with a 5.31 ERA (12 er in 20.1 ip) and .344 (31-for-90) opponents batting average...have allowed seven home runs but have walked just three in 20.1 innings...over the last three years, starters have logged fewer than five innings in six of seven postseason games and are 1-4 with a 6.94 ERA (18 er in 23.1 ip), .346 (36-for-104) opponents average, 11 home runs and four walks in 23.1 innings.

**OFFENSE:** The A's are hitting .206 (32-for-155) with 19 runs scored in five postseason games (3.8 runs per game)...did not have an at bat with runners in scoring position yesterday and are 3-for-20 (.150) with RISP...are now batting .204 (45-for-221) with 22 runs in seven postseason games over the last three years (3.1 runs per game), including .100 (3-for-30) with RISP.

**THIS AND THAT:** The A's have used 34 different lineups over the last 35 games dating back to Aug. 25 after using 19 different lineups over the first 30 games...the only repeat over the last 35 games was Game 3 of the ALWCS and Game 1 of the ALDS...have used six different players in the three spot over the last seven games...A's pitchers have allowed more home runs than walks in three of the five postseason games this year and have a total of 11 home runs and nine walks in 45.0 innings...have yielded 17 home runs and walked just 15 in 62.0 innings in seven games over the last three years...the A's bullpen has a win, a loss, two saves, a blown save and a 3.65 ERA (10 er in 24.2 ip) this postseason...is 5-4 with six saves, three blown saves and a 4.13 ERA (45 er in 98.0 ip) in 30 games dating back to Sept. 4...including the regular season, the A's are 12-4 (.750) in games in which the opponent starts a left-handed pitcher compared to 26-23 (.531) when they start a right-hander.

**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)...today will be the A's sixth game this postseason, which marks 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).

**OAKLANDAYS:** The A's have played day games in each of their five postseason games this year (starting times: 12:08, 12:10, 12:10, 1:08, 1:37)...today marks the A's sixth straight postseason day game, which is their longest such streak 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 today is the A's ninth straight day game, which is their longest streak at any point since 1973 when their final two regular season games and first seven postseason games were day games (credit: Elias)...played 30

### MLB POSTSEASON BESTS

#### MOST POSTSEASONS

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

#### MOST WINS

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

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:** This series with the Astros is the A's first postseason series featuring neutral site games...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)...are now 5-11 (.313) in neutral site games in Oakland history.

**DODGER STADIUM:** The A's have played five games at Dodger Stadium this year and have allowed 14 home runs in 43.0 innings (2.93 per nine innings)...have hit eight home runs but are batting .179 (28-for-156)...have played six postseason games at Dodger Stadium, including these two against Houston plus four against the Dodgers 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 8-16 (.333) overall.

**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 in Game 1 on Monday, 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 seasons (Canha, Davis, Hendriks, Laureano, Olson, Semien)...La Stella has the most postseason experience as this is his fifth year (has played 17 games)...Soria (13 games), Diekman (11 games) and Hendriks (7 games) have played in four seasons.

**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 **1972** the A's go into the bottom of the 11<sup>th</sup> inning of Game 1 of ALCS trailing 2-1 but score twice to defeat the Detroit Tigers 3-2...a pinch hit single by Gonzalo Marquez drove in the tying run and Gene Tenace scored the winning run on a throwing error on the play...in **1973** Sal Bando homers twice in Game 2 of the ALCS as the A's defeat Baltimore 6-3 to even the series at one game each...Bert Campaneris has a homer and two singles and steals two bases...in **1989** Rickey Henderson homers twice and drives in four runs and Jose Canseco homers into the fifth deck at the SkyDome as the A's defeat Toronto 6-5 in Game 4 of the ALCS...in **1992** Harold Baines homers in the ninth inning to give the A's a 4-3 win over Toronto in Game 1 of the ALCS...Baines has three hits and the A's score all their runs on homers as Mark McGwire and Terry Steinbach also homer.

### 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)	L, 2-5	Win: Valdez	Loss: Manaea	Save: Pressly	
Wed., Oct. 7 vs. Houston (Away)	LHP Jesús Luzardo (0-1, 8.10) vs. RHP Jose Urquidy (0-0, 2.08)				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

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# TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER: JESÚS LUZARDO (0-1, 8.10 ERA IN POSTSEASON)

**POSTSEASON:** Is scheduled to make his second appearance and start of the postseason...it is the third postseason outing of his career as he pitched in relief in the Wild Card game last year...is 0-1 with a 4.26 ERA (3 er in 6.1 ip) in his two career postseason appearances...joins Jarrod Parker (2012) and Sonny Gray (2013) as the only rookie pitchers in Athletics history to make two postseason starts...his first start came in Game 1 of the ALWCS against Chicago and it was one day before his 23rd birthday, which made him the third youngest pitcher to start a postseason game in Oakland history and the eighth youngest in Athletics history...made his postseason debut last year in the Wild Card game against Tampa Bay and tossed 3.0 scoreless innings of relief (1 h, 2 bb, 4 so)...that appearance came two days after his 22nd birthday, making him the second-youngest pitcher in Oakland postseason history...Rich Harden had two outings in 2003, with the youngest coming at 21 years and 305 days.

YOUNGEST ATHLETICS PITCHERS TO START A POSTSEASON GAME										
Player	Age	Series	Opp	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Joe Bush	20 years, 316 days	1913 WS Game 3	New York	W	9.0	5	2	1	4	3
Chief Bender	21 years, 158 days	1905 WS Game 2	New York	W	9.0	4	0	0	3	9
Chief Bender	21 years, 162 days	1905 WS Game 5	New York	L	8.0	5	2	2	3	4
Joe Bush	21 years, 319 days	1914 WS Game 3	Boston	L	11.0	9	5	4	4	4
Vida Blue	22 years, 67 days	1971 ALCS Game 1	Baltimore	L	7.0	7	5	5	2	8
Barry Zito	22 years, 147 days	2000 ALDS Game 4	New York	W	5.2	7	1	1	2	5
Andy Coakley	22 years, 326 days	1905 WS Game 3	New York	L	9.0	9	9	3	5	2
Jesús Luzardo	22 years, 365 days	2020 WC Game 1	Chicago	L	3.1	6	3	3	0	5
Jesús Luzardo	23 years, 7 days	2020 ALDS Game 3	Houston							
Vida Blue	23 years, 85 days	1972 WS Game 6	Cincinnati	L	5.2	4	3	3	2	4

**TRENDING:** Is 1-3 with a 4.84 ERA (19 er in 35.1 ip) in seven games, including six starts, dating back to Aug. 24 after going 2-0 with a 3.67 ERA over his first six games, including four starts...allowed two home runs in the ALWCS, both to right-handed hitters...has surrendered 10 of his 11 home runs this year and 11 of 12 in his career to righties...is 0-1 with an 8.15 ERA (16 er in 17.2 ip), .338 (26-for-77) opponents average, 1.032 OPS and six home runs in 17.2 innings in four games, three starts, on the road this year...has walked two batters or fewer in 12 of his 13 appearances this year and 19 of 20 in his career...has walked just 17 batters in 62.1 innings this year (2.48 per nine innings) and 22 in 77.1 career innings (2.56 per nine innings).

**LAST START:** He was the losing pitcher in Game 1 of the ALWCS against Chicago on Sept. 29 in Oakland, a 4-1 A's loss...allowed a solo home run to Engel in the second and a two-run home run to Abreu in the third...was relieved by Wendelken after allowing a one-out double to Engel in the fourth...left trailing 3-0 as Giolito retired each of the first 18 Athletics.

## LUZARDO'S CAREER POSTSEASON APPEARANCES

Series	Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	#PIT
*2019 ALWC	Oct. 2	Tampa Bay	1-5	—	3.0	1	0	0	2	4	0	46
2020 ALWCS G#1	Sept. 29	Chicago	1-4	L	3.1	6	3	3	0	5	2	59
<b>Postseason Totals (2 games, 1 start, 0-1, 4.26 ERA)</b>												
*indicates relief appearance												

**LUZARDO vs. HOUSTON:** 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, including two starts...was 1-0 with a 2.84 ERA (12.2 ip, 9 h, 4 r, 4 er, 3 bb, 12 so, 3 hr) in two starts this year...the win came in a 7-2 A's win in Oakland on Aug. 9...it was his first Major League win and, at the age of 22 years and 314 days, he was the youngest Athletic pitcher to win a game since Brett Anderson was 22 years, 243 days on Oct. 2, 2010...blanked the Astros on two hits over the first three innings before allowing a two-run home run to Gurriel in the fourth...those were the only runs he would allow in 5.2 innings...then had a no decision in the A's 3-2 victory in Oakland on Sept. 9...tossed a career-high 100 pitches in a career-high 7.0 innings...matched his best with seven strikeouts...allowed a home run to Springer to start the game before retiring seven straight...set down 10 of the final 11 hitters, with the one exception being a Gurriel solo home run in the sixth...his other outing came in relief in his Major League debut on Sept. 11, 2019 at Houston in a 5-3 A's win (3.0 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 0 bb, 2 so)...allowed a solo home run to Maldonado in the sixth inning but then retired each of the final seven batters that he faced.

## STARTS VS. HOUSTON

DATE	H/A	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
8/9/20	H	W	5.2	5	2	2	2	5
9/9/20	H	—	7.0	4	2	2	1	7

## LUZARDO'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	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	.250	.250	.250
Yordan Alvarez	L	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Michael Brantley	L	6	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	.167	.286	.333
Alex Bregman	R	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	.000	.250	.000
Carlos Correa	R	5	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	.200	.200	.200
Aledmys Diaz	R	5	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Yuli Gurriel	R	5	3	1	0	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	.600	.600	2.000
Martin Maldonado	R	6	1	0	0	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	.167	.167	.667
Jack Mayfield	R	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.500	.000
Josh Reddick	L	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	.143	.143	.143
George Springer	R	4	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.500	.500	1.250
Myles Straw	R	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Kyle Tucker	L	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000

## ATHLETICS BULLPEN BRIEFS

### 35 LHP JAKE DIEKMAN

**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)

- Pitched in each of the A's first 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 five of the A's six postseason games over the last two years.
- Made his seventh career Division Series appearance in Game 1, which also includes four games in 2015 and two in 2016, both with Texas against Toronto (7.2 ip, 8 h, 4 r, 4 er, 2 bb, 6 so, 1 hr, 4.70 ERA).
- 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 seven 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).

### 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 Monday in Game 1 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:** 10/6 vs. Houston (DS G#2) (ND, 2.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)  
**2020 Postseason:** 0-0, 0 sv, 2 g (3.0 ip, 2 so, 2 hbp, 0.00 ERA)

- Has pitched in relief in each of the first two games of the ALDS and has tossed 3.0 scoreless innings...has allowed two base runners, both on hit by pitches...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 this series, 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).
- Is 1-0 with a 0.96 ERA (9.1 ip, 8 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 7 so) in three career postseason appearances, including one start...all three appearances have come in the Division Series as he started Game 2 of the 2013 NLDS for Atlanta against Los Angeles.
- Is 0-0 in three games, including one start, against Houston this year (6.1 ip, 3 h, 4 r, 4 er, 2 bb, 6 so).
- Is 1-0 with a 2.25 ERA (16.0 ip, 14 h, 4 r, 4 er, 3 bb, 11 so, 1 hr) in five 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:** 10/6 vs. Houston (DS G#2) (ND, 0.2 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 0 bb, 1 so)  
**2020 Postseason:** 0-0, 0 sv, 4 g (4.0 ip, 5 h, 3 r, 3 er, 4 so, 6.75 ERA)

- Has pitched in four of the A's five games this postseason and has stranded all five of his inherited runners...however, has allowed three runs of his own in 4.0 innings (6.75 ERA)...has pitched in five of the A's six postseason games over the last two years (6.2 ip, 7 h, 4 r, 4 er, 0 bb, 6 so, 2 hr, 5.40 ERA)...was on the Wild Card roster in 2018 but did not pitch.
- Has a win and a 1.17 ERA (7.2 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 3 bb, 9 so, 1 hr) in three career Division Series appearances, including two this year and one in the 2014 NLDS for San Francisco against Washington...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 3-0 with a 2.79 ERA (6 er in 19.1 ip) in nine career postseason outings.
- Has faced Houston five times this year (3.2 ip, 3 h, 1 r, 1 er, 3 bb, 4 so, 1 hr)...has a 1.88 ERA (3 er in 14.1 ip) in 13 games against the Astros over the last two years.

### 48 RHP JOAKIM SORIA

**Last Outing:** 10/6 vs. Houston (DS G#2) (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 0 so)  
**2020 Postseason:** 0-0, 0 sv, 3 g (3.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 1 so, 1 hr, 3.00 ERA)

- Has pitched in three of the A's five postseason games, including once in the Division Series...was on the A's Wild Card roster last year but did not pitch.

## ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

### 20 MARK CANHA

**Current Streak:** 0 for 9  
**AL Division Series:** 2 g, 0-6, rbi, 4 so, sf  
**2020 Postseason:** 5 g, 1-16 (.063), r, 2 rbi, 2 bb, 5 so, sf

- Has started each of the five postseason games this year and is 1-for-16 with two walks and two RBI.
- Has started each of the A's last six postseason games at three different positions (three in right field, two in left field, one in center field)...has played in all seven of the A's postseason games over the last three years and is 1-for-20 (.050) with two RBI and three walks.
- Is 6-for-38 (.158) with six walks in 12 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 CHRIS DAVIS

**Current Streak:** 5 games (7 for 16)  
**AL Division Series:** 2 g, 4-7, 2 r, 2 hr, 3 rbi, 2 so  
**2020 Postseason:** 4 g, 6-15 (.400), 3 r, 3 hr, 4 rbi, 4 so

- Has homered in each of the last two games, which marks the 13th time in Athletics postseason history a player has homered in back-to-back games (second time this year along with Sean Murphy)...is the fourth Athletic with two home runs in an ALDS (Long, 2001; Durham, 2002; Thomas, 2006)...no one has three.
- Has three home runs this postseason and is the eighth Athletic with three or more home runs in a single postseason...the most is four by Jose Canseco in 1988 and Gene Tenace in 1972...homered just twice in 30 regular season games.
- Has four career postseason home runs, which is tied for fifth most in Athletics history behind Canseco (7), Al Simmons (6), Sal Bando (5) and Reggie Jackson (5).

- Has a win, a loss, a blown save and a 9.64 ERA (4.2 ip, 5 h, 5 r, 5 er, 3 bb, 5 so) in six career appearances in the DS (2014 with Detroit, 2018 with Milwaukee, 2020 with Oakland).
- Has yielded at least one run in five of his 13 career postseason appearances...is 1-1 with a blown save and a 9.31 ERA (9.2 ip, 11 h, 10 r, 10 er, 7 bb, 12 so, 1 hr) in those 13 games.
- Has not allowed a run in five of his last six games this year (6.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 bb, 2 so, 1 hr).
- Has faced Houston four times this year (4.0 ip, 4 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 so)...has a 2.43 ERA (9 er in 33.1 ip) in 34 career appearances against the Astros.
- Has eight career appearances in Dodger Stadium (6.2 ip, 5 h, 3 r, 3 er, 2 bb, 4 so), including four in the postseason (2.2 ip, 3 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 bb, 2 so)...pitched in three NLCS games here for Milwaukee in 2018.

### 62 RHP LOU TRIVINO

**Last Outing:** 10/6 vs. Houston (DS G#2) (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 1 bb, 0 so)  
**2020 Postseason:** 0-0, 0 sv, 3 g (2.1 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 1 so, 1 hr, 3.86 ERA)

- Has pitched in each of the first two games of the ALDS, three times this postseason and four times in his postseason career...has not allowed a run in three of his four outings (5.1 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 bb, 5 so, 1 hr, 1.69 ERA).
- Has a 6.75 ERA (8.0 ip, 6 h, 6 r, 6 er, 6 bb, 8 so, 3 hr) over his last nine games this year after allowing no runs over his previous 10 contests (12.2 ip).
- Has faced Houston five times this year (5.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 3 so, 1 hr).
- His Game 3 outing last Thursday 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 Monday and made his postseason debut that day...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 Monday 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 five 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.

- Has hit safely in each of his four postseason games this year (6-for-15, .400)...has now started six of the A's seven postseason games over the last three years at designated hitter...is 7-for-23 (.304) with four home runs and six RBI
- Is batting .333 (14-for-42) with four home runs and eight RBI in 15 games since played resumed on Sept. 4...homered just once over his first 19 contests.
- Is 7-for-22 (.318) with two doubles, three home runs and five RBI in six games against Houston this year.

### 8 ROBBIE GROSSMAN

**Current Streak:** 0 for 3  
**AL Division Series:** 2 g, 1-5, 2b, so  
**2020 Postseason:** 4 g, 1-12 (.083), r, 2b, bb, 3 so

- Has started three of the A's five 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-16 (.188) in five postseason games with the A's over the last two years.
- Made his Division Series debut Monday in Game 1.
- Is 3-for-20 (150) in six career postseason games.
- Is 7-for-46 (.152) over his last 14 games dating back to Sept. 15 but five of the seven hits are for extra bases (two doubles, three home runs).
- Is hitting .257 (9-for-35) with two home runs and three RBI in 11 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 five postseason games, all at third base...has played in four games and has not batted against a left-handed pitcher.
- 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:** 0 for 6  
**AL Division Series:** 2 g, 1-8, so, gidp  
**2020 Postseason:** 5 g, 4-19 (.211), 3 r, bb, 3 so, gidp

- Has started all five postseason games at second base...the last Athletic to start more than five games at second base in a single postseason is Willie Randolph, with six in 1990.
- Hit safely in his first four games this postseason before going 0-for-4 yesterday...is 4-for-19 (.211) this year and 4-for-32 (.125) with two walks in 17 career postseason games.
- Is 1-for-10 (.100) with a walk in six career Division Series games as he also played in three consecutive NLDS for the Cubs from 2015-17.
- Went 0-for-4 yesterday after hitting safely in each of his previous eight games dating back to Sept. 25 (9-for-27, .333).
- Is 9-for-40 (.225) against Houston this year and is a .161 (10-for-62) career hitter against the Astros.

**22 RAMON LAUREANO**

**Current Streak:** 0 for 12  
**AL Division Series:** 2 g, 0-7, 3 so  
**2020 Postseason:** 5 g, 2-18 (.111), r, rbi, 7 so

- Has started all five games this postseason in center field and has started all seven of the A's postseason games over the last three years (six in center field, one in right field)...is 3-for-24 (.125) with two RBI, a walk and 10 strikeouts.
- Is 6-for-47 (.128) over his last 14 games dating back to Sept. 16.
- Is 0-for-7 this series after reaching base safely in all 10 regular season games against Houston...is 11-for-42 (.262) with three doubles, a triple, a home run, four RBI, two walks and four hit by pitches in 12 games against the Astros this year and is a .293 (29-for-99) career hitter against Houston.

**12 SEAN MURPHY**

**Current Streak:** 0 for 6  
**AL Division Series:** 2 g, 1-7, r, hr, rbi, 2 so  
**2020 Postseason:** 5 g, 4-15 (.267), 4 r, 2 hr, 3 rbi, 2 bb, 3 so

- Has started all six of the A's postseason games over the last two years at catcher and is 4-for-16 (.250) with four runs, two home runs, three RBI and two walks.
- Homered Monday in Game 1 after homering in the final game of the AL-WCS...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)...is the first rookie catcher to homer in back-to-back postseason games in Major League history...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).
- Went 0-for-3 yesterday after reaching base safely in each of previous 20 games dating back to Sept. 4...batted .288 (17-for-59) with 17 runs, seven home runs, 12 RBI and 14 walks during the streak with a .425 on-base percentage and 1.103 OPS.
- Is 4-for-22 (.182) with two home runs, four RBI and six walks in nine games against Houston this year...is a .258 (8-for-31) 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:** 0 for 5  
**AL Division Series:** 2 g, 1-6, 2 r, hr, rbi, bb, so, gidp  
**2020 Postseason:** 5 g, 1-15 (.067), 2 r, hr, 2 rbi, 4 bb, 7 so, gidp

- Has started each of the A's seven postseason games over the last three years at first base and is 2-for-20 (.100) with a home run, two RBI, seven walks (.333 on-base percentage) and eight strikeouts.
- Hit his first career postseason home run Monday in Game 1.
- The home run was his first since Sept. 18 and he is now batting .141 (9-for-64) with two home runs, six RBI and 33 strikeouts over his last 20 games dating back to Sept. 13.
- Is 5-for-42 (.119) against Houston this year but four of the hits are home runs and he has nine RBI in 12 games...has 16 home runs and 42 RBI in his career against the Astros, both his best marks against any team.

**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:** 1 game (1 for 4)  
**AL Division Series:** 2 g, 1-5, r, hr, rbi, bb, gidp  
**2020 Postseason:** 5 g, 4-14 (.286), r, hr, 3 rbi, 2 bb, 2 so, gidp

- Has played in all five games this postseason, including three 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 six games since then...is 5-for-17 (.294) with four RBI and three walks over that span.
- Is 6-for-18 (.333) in eight games against Houston this year and is a .281 (36-for-128) career hitter against the Astros with eight home runs and 20 RBI...the home runs and RBI are his most against any team.

**25 STEPHEN PISCOTTY**

**Current Streak:** 1 game (1 for 2)  
**AL Division Series:** 1 g, 1-2  
**2020 Postseason:** 2 g, 1-5 (.200), so, gidp

- Has made three career postseason starts for the A's, all in right field, and is 1-for-8 (.125) with a walk...was not on the A's Wild Card roster last year.
- Is 7-for-18 (.389) with five runs, three home runs and six RBI in five career Division Series games, including four for St. Louis in the 2015 NLDS against Chicago.
- Is 7-for-24 (.292) with three home runs and six RBI in seven career postseason games.
- Is 5-for-43 (.116) with no extra base hits and one RBI over his last 13 games dating back to Sept. 12.
- Is 5-for-17 (.294) in seven games against Houston this year.
- Is 9-for-44 (.205) with no extra base hits and one RBI in 12 career games at Dodger Stadium.

**10 MARCUS SEMIEN**

**Current Streak:** 4 games (7 for 15)  
**AL Division Series:** 2 g, 4-7, r, bb  
**2020 Postseason:** 5 g, 7-19 (.368), 3 r, 2b, hr, 2 rbi, 2 bb, so

- Has three straight multiple hit games (6-for-11, .545), which is the longest postseason streak by an Athletic since Ruben Sierra also had three straight in 1992 (Games 3, 4 and 5 of the ALCS)...the Athletics record is four by Harold Baines (1992), Carney Lansford (1989) and Frank Baker (1911).
- Has started each of the A's seven postseason games over the last three years at shortstop and is 9-for-27 (.333) with a home run and two RBI...the home run came in Game 2 of the ALWCS this year.
- Is 11-for-35 (.314) over his last nine games dating back to Sept. 24.
- Is 4-for-7 (.571) in two postseason games against Houston after going 5-for-28 (.179) in seven regular season games.

**A'S CAREER HITTING VS. URQUIDY**

PLAYER	BAT	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SH	SF	HBP	GIDP	AVG	OBP	SLG
Seth Brown	L	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Mark Canha	R	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	.250	.250	.250
Matt Chapman	R	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Khristian Davis	R	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1.000	.000	.000
Robbie Grossman	S	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Jonah Heim	S	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Tommy La Stella	L	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Ramon Laureano	R	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.400	.000
Vimalael Machin	L	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Sean Murphy	R	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Matt Olson	L	4	1	0	0	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	.250	.400	1.000
Chad Pinder	R	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000
Marcus Semien	R	4	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	.250	.400	1.000