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A's Announce Trade, Free Agent Signing and Waiver Claim

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's have acquired infielder Adam Rosales and outfielder Willy Taveras from the Cincinnati Reds for infielder Aaron Miles and a player to be named later, the club announced today. The A's also agreed to terms with free agent outfielder Gabe Gross on a one-year contract and claimed infielder Steve Tolleson off waivers from the Minnesota Twins. To clear space on the 40-man roster, the A's designated Taveras and left-handed pitcher Dana Eveland for assignment. An additional roster move to get Tolleson on the 40-man roster will be announced later.

Rosales spent most of the season with Cincinnati, where he batted .213 with four home runs and 19 RBI in 87 games. He appeared in 57 games at third base, 11 at first base, six at shortstop and four at second base. The 26-year old right-handed hitter also hit .349 in 30 games for Triple-A Louisville. Rosales was originally a 12th round draft pick of the Reds in 2005 and made his Major League debut in 2008, hitting .207 in 18 games. He was Cincinnati's Minor League Hitter of the year in 2007 after combining to hit .286 with 41 doubles, 11 triples, 18 home runs and 79 RBI in 136 games with Single-A Sarasota and Double-A Chattanooga.

Gross hit .227 with six home runs and 36 RBI in 115 games with Tampa Bay last year. He started 71 games in right field and four at designated hitter and made just three starts against left-handed pitching. Gross made his Major League debut with Toronto in 2004 and is a .239 career hitter with 39 home runs and 161 RBI in 552 games over six seasons. After spending two years with Toronto (2004-05), the 30-year old left-handed hitter also played for Milwaukee (2006-08) and Tampa Bay (2008-09).

Tolleson combined for a .266 batting average, 27 doubles, eight home runs, 40 RBI and 13 stolen bases in 130 games for Double-A New Britain and Triple-A Rochester in the Twins farm system last year. He was originally drafted by Minnesota in the fifth round of the 2005 draft and is a .276 career hitter with 33 home runs, 183 RBI and 67 stolen bases in 500 minor league games over five professional seasons. The 26-year old right-handed hitter has played primarily second base and shortstop in his career, but has also appeared in games at all three outfield positions and third base.

Eveland began and finished the 2009 season in the A's starting rotation, but spent most of the year at Triple-A Sacramento. He was 2-4 with a 7.16 ERA in 13 games, nine starts, over three stints with Oakland and 8-6 with a 4.94 ERA in 21 starts with the River Cats. Taveras batted .240 with a home run and 15 RBI in 102 games with Cincinnati. He is a .276 career hitter in 643 games with Houston (2004-06), Colorado (2007-08) and Cincinnati (2009).

The complete 2009 and career statistics for Gross, Rosales and Tolleson:

GROSS	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Tampa Bay	.227	115	282	31	64	16	1	6	36	42	79	6	3	.355	.326
CAREER	.239	552	1239	176	296	67	7	39	161	182	310	17	9	.399	.337

ROSALES	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Louisville (AAA)	.349	30	109	27	38	8	2	5	20	12	15	4	0	.596	.408
Cincinnati	.213	87	230	23	49	10	1	4	19	26	46	1	2	.317	.303
CAREER	.212	105	259	23	55	11	1	4	21	27	50	2	2	.309	.296

TOLLESON	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
New Britain (AA)	.258	38	151	21	39	10	2	2	13	16	20	6	2	.391	.343
Rochester (AAA)	.270	92	352	57	95	17	1	6	27	36	52	7	6	.375	.338
MINOR CAREER	.276	500	1827	288	505	103	12	33	183	252	328	67	35	.400	.368

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