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A's Announce Three Roster Moves

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's outrighted right-handed pitcher Boof Bonser and outfielder Matt Carson to Triple-A Sacramento, the club announced today. Bonser elected free agency but Carson agreed to terms on a contract for 2011 and will be a non-roster invitee. The A's also announced that right-handed pitcher Justin James was claimed off waivers by the Milwaukee Brewers.

Carson batted .177 with four home runs and nine RBI in 36 games over four stints with Oakland this year. He started 18 games in right field, two in center field and one in left field. The 29-year old right-handed hitter also batted .303 with 13 home runs and 36 RBI in 64 games with Sacramento.

Bonser began the season in the Boston organization and posted an 18.00 ERA in two relief appearances with the Red Sox before he was designated for assignment June 18. He signed a minor league contract with the A's July 3 and was 1-0 with a 5.09 ERA in 13 relief appearances with Oakland. Bonser combined for a 6.12 ERA in 2010 after missing the entire 2009 season following shoulder surgery.

James was pitching for the Kansas City T-Bones in the independent Northern League before signing a minor league contract with the Athletics organization June 19. After combining for a 2-1 record and 1.83 ERA in 28 relief appearances with Double-A Midland and Triple-A Sacramento, he earned a September promotion to Oakland. James made his Major League debut with the A's, posting a 4.50 ERA in five relief appearances.

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