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## News & Notes About the A's Upcoming Homestand

**OAKLAND** – The A's open a season-long 11-game homestand beginning Thursday, July 30, with a 7:05 p.m. contest against the Cleveland Indians. The homestand covers two weekends, and features visits from the Indians, Baltimore Orioles, and Houston Astros.

Brandon Moss and Jason Kipnis lead a potent Cleveland offense, while Adam Jones spearheads a Baltimore club that's looking for a second straight postseason berth. The homestand concludes with an intra-division four-game set against Jose Altuve, rookie phenom Carlos Correa and the rest of the upstart Houston Astros.

The complete homestand schedule is below.

| DATE                     | OPPONENT   | TIME      | TELEVISION |
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| THUR                     | OPPONENT<br>SDAY, JULY 30 CLEVELAND INDIANS  | 7:05 P.M  | CSNCA      |
| •<br>•<br>•<br>•         | Throwback Thursday presented by Chevron ExtraMile (5,000 fans get a Billy I<br>National Anthem: Jessyka Osicka<br>First Pitch: Roberta Gonzales, KPIX<br>First Pitch: Kobe Khalfani from North Oakland-South Oakland Little League<br>Pregame Visit: Busses for Baseball<br>Breast Cancer Awareness Day sales (ends after third inning)  |           |            |
| FRIDA                    | Y, JULY 31   | 6:35 P.M  | CSNCA      |
| •                        | 90s Fireworks Night presented by Chevron Techron Advantage Credit Card<br>Topps Friday Family Pack<br>CSNCA Authentic Fan Friday<br>First Pitch: Annie Marzel, Chevron Techron Advantage Credit Card<br>National Anthem: Felicia Zapata<br>Pre-Game Presentation: BARONS Diamond Player Award<br>Stephen Vogt off-site visit to Dublin's School of Imagination<br>Breast Cancer Awareness Day sales (ends after third inning)  |           |            |
| SATU                     | RDAY, AUGUST 1   | 6:05 P.M  | CSNCA      |
| •<br>•<br>•<br>•         | Cache Creek Saturday<br>National Anthem: Josh Klipp<br>First Pitch: Hunter Keener, Make-A-Wish Foundation<br>Chevrolet Youth Baseball Coaches Clinic (on field from noon to 2 p.m.)<br>Breast Cancer Awareness Day sales (ends after fifth inning)<br>A's Community Fund Silent Auction, behind Section 120, benefitting BOSS  |           |            |
| SUND                     | AY, AUGUST 2   | 1:05 P.M  | CSNCA      |
| •<br>•<br>•<br>•<br>•    | Giveaway: Mike Gallego Windmill Windup Toy, presented by AdvanTel Netwo<br>National Anthem: Lisa Parente<br>First Pitch: Gary Garcia, AdvanTel Networks<br>Pre-Game Presentation: Heart & Hustle Award, presented to A's catcher Step<br>Take the Field with the A's program, presented by Wells Fargo<br>Post-Game Race Around the Bases, driven by Chevrolet<br>Breast Cancer Awareness Day sales (ends after fifth inning)<br>A's Community Fund Silent Auction, behind Section 120, benefitting American | hen Vogt  | n          |
|                          | AY, AUGUST 3BALTIMORE ORIOLES  | 7:05 P M  | CSNCA      |
| •<br>•<br>•              | National Anthem: Damond Moodie<br>First Pitch: TBD<br>Pre-Game Presentation: Jefferson Awards Student in Action<br>Breast Cancer Awareness Day sales (ends after third inning)   | / :05 F.M | CSNCA      |
| •<br>•<br>•              | AY, AUGUST 4BALTIMORE ORIOLES<br>Free Parking Tuesday, driven by Chevrolet<br>National Anthem: Jennie Chabon<br>First Pitch: Kaden Wicks, North Oakland-South Oakland Little League<br>Stephen Vogt off-site visit to Dublin's School of Imagination<br>A's Amigos Program Visit<br>Breast Cancer Awareness Day sales (ends after third inning)  | 7:05 P.M  | CSNCA      |
| WEDN<br>•<br>•<br>•<br>• | ESDAY, AUGUST 5BALTIMORE ORIOLES<br>BART \$2 Wednesday (\$2 tickets sold out)<br>First Pitch: Farmer John<br>Anthem: Robert Smith<br>Little A's program, presented by Bank of America and supported by the Oaklay<br>Food Bank Wednesday<br>Senior Days  |           | CSNCA      |

Breast Cancer Awareness Day sales (ends after third inning)

| THURS<br>•<br>•<br>•<br>• | SDAY, AUGUST 6       HOUSTON ASTROS       7:05 P.M.       CSNCA         Throwback Thursday presented by Chevron ExtraMile (5,000 fans get a Mark McGwire commemorative button)       Bark at the Park, presented by Avoderm, Nylabone, and ADAMS (special ticket required)         Anthem: Keith Varon       First Pitch: Central Garden & Pet         Pre-Game Presentation: Bark at the Park/Tony La Russa's Animal Rescue Foundation       A It Forward: Youth Impact Hub         Green Stampede Homework Club       Breast Cancer Awareness Day sales (ends after third inning)              |
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| FRIDA<br>•<br>•<br>•<br>• | Y, AUGUST 7  |
| SATUR<br>•<br>•<br>•<br>• | RDAY, AUGUST 8       HOUSTON ASTROS       1:05 P.M.       CSNCA         Giveaway: White Cleats T-Shirt, presented by Cache Creek Casino Resort (15,000 fans)         Cache Creek Saturday         National Anthem: Everybody is a Star         First Pitch: Cache Creek Casino Resort         Pre-Game Presentation: A's All-Stars         UMPS Care Program Visit         Post-Game: A's Community Fund Bowling Bash (private event)         Breast Cancer Awareness Day sales (ends after fifth inning)         A's Community Fund Silent Auction, behind Section 120, benefitting Loved Twice |
| SUNDA<br>•<br>•<br>•      | AY, AUGUST 9   |

- UMPS Care Program Visit
- Breast Cancer Awareness Day sales (ends after fifth inning)
  A's Community Fund Silent Auction, behind Section 120, benefitting local law enforcement

\*\*For additional information about all promotions and special events, please visit http://www.athletics.com/promotions

## **Promotions & Special Events**

- **90s Fireworks Night presented by Chevron Techron Advantage Credit Card:** The A's fourth fireworks show of the season will be accompanied by your favorite music from the 1990s. Stay after the game against the Cleveland Indians on Friday, July 31, to watch the fireworks from the outfield grass (on-field capacity is limited).
- **Mike Gallego Windmill Windup Toy, presented by AdvanTel Networks:** On Sunday, Aug. 2, 15,000 fans will receive the Mike Gallego Windmill Windup Toy, one of the most unique giveaways the A's have ever created. The toy celebrates "Gags," who not only serves as the A's current third base coach but also was a member of the 1989 World Series championship team. The interactive windup toy replicates Gallego waving a runner home from third base.
- White Cleats T-Shirt presented by Cache Creek Casino Resort: On Saturday, Aug. 8, 15,000 fans will receive a White Cleats T-Shirt, presented by Cache Creek Casino Resort. The stylish t-shirt pays tribute to the A's unique footwear that they've worn since the late 1960s.

#### **Community Relations**

- **Breast Cancer Awareness Day Fundraising Table:** At each game throughout the homestand, fans will have the opportunity to purchase Breast Cancer Awareness Day pins, caps and necklaces with proceeds benefitting breast cancer education, research and awareness. Also, once again the A's will be raffling off a custom-made autographed quilt; raffle tickets for the quilt are \$5 each. The fundraising table will be set up behind section 120.
- **A's Community Fund Silent Auctions:** Every Saturday and Sunday home game (and other select games), the A's Community Fund hosts a silent auction featuring signed and unsigned A's memorabilia as well as game-used items. The silent auctions are located in the A's fan center behind section 120 and end with the last out in the bottom of the 5<sup>th</sup> inning.
- Little A's: On Wednesday, Aug. 5, as part of the Little A's program, deserving youth and their chaperones of non-profit organizations will have the opportunity to attend an A's game free of charge. In addition to a game ticket, each child receives a Bank of America souvenir and child-admission pass to the Oakland Zoo. The Little A's program is presented by Bank of America and supported by the Oakland Zoo and Clorox.
- Take the Field with the A's: The Take the Field with the A's program gives youth baseball and softball teams the chance to live out their Major League dreams. On Sundays throughout the season, youth players from a local you baseball or softball team will join Oakland A's players on the field during the National Anthem. Each participant receives an autographed baseball and t-shirt, courtesy of Wells Fargo.

- **Food Bank Wednesdays**: During select Wednesday home games in August and September, A's fans can donate five cans of food or \$5 to the Alameda County Community Food Bank at Gates C, D, and the BART Plaza. Each fan that contributes receives a 2-for-1 plaza level ticket voucher for a future A's game.
- **Green Stampede Homework Club:** On select games throughout the season, elementary school students will visit O.co Coliseum to receive help with their homework from tutors and aids. An A's player will visit and sign autographs for the students as a way to congratulate them for their hard work. After the students have finished their homework, they are able to sit in the stands and watch the game.
- "A It Forward" presented by PG&E: The #AltForward program, sponsored by PG&E, incorporates a surprise element at the game to make the experience more special for the children and their families. "A It Forward" will host a group of children from Youth Impact Hub at the game on Thursday, Aug. 6, for a special experience at the O.co Coliseum.

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