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2017 OAKLAND A's SPRING TRAINING INFORMATION

Pitchers & Catchers report Tuesday, Feb. 14; Full Squad reports Saturday, Feb. 18

OAKLAND, Calif. – Spring Training for the 2017 Oakland Athletics begins on Tuesday, Feb. 14, when pitchers and catchers report to Hohokam Stadium, the A's spring home in Mesa, Ariz.

The first pitchers' and catchers' workout will be held Wednesday, Feb. 15, at the Lew Wolff Training Complex, formerly known as Fitch Park. Position players report Saturday, Feb. 18, with the first full squad workout set for Sunday, Feb. 19, also at the Lew Wolff Training Complex.

The following is pertinent A's Spring Training information, including general guidelines, credential and parking information, roster information, the full spring schedule, and more.

**TRAINING SITE/
MINOR LEAGUE
HEADQUARTERS:** Lew Wolff Training Complex
160 East Athletics Way
Mesa, AZ 85201
(480) 487-5800

**STADIUM
HEADQUARTERS:** Hohokam Stadium
1235 N. Center Street
Mesa, AZ 85201
(480) 907-5488

**HOTEL
HEADQUARTERS:** Doubletree Guest Suites
320 North 44th Street
Phoenix, AZ 85008
(602) 225-0500

**REPORTING DATES/
FIRST WORKOUTS:** **Pitchers and Catchers** – Tuesday, Feb. 14 / Wednesday, Feb. 15
Full Squad – Saturday, Feb. 18 / Sunday, Feb. 19

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MEDIA CREDENTIALS: For daily credentials, apply online at credentials.mlb.com. **All credential requests must be received at least 24 hours in advance of the game you wish to cover and must include a head shot**, to be uploaded to the website along with your credential request. In addition, you must bring a valid photo ID with you when picking up your credential.

TICKET INFORMATION: Call (510) 568-5600; visit the Hohokam Stadium box office; purchase online at athletics.com/tickets

PHOTO DAY: Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 7 a.m. MST, Hohokam Stadium

**CACTUS LEAGUE
OPENING DAY:** Saturday, Feb. 25 at Chicago Cubs, 1:05 p.m. MST, Sloan Park

**CACTUS LEAGUE
HOME OPENER:** Sunday, Feb. 26 vs. Los Angeles Angels, 1:05 p.m. MST, Hohokam Stadium

**OPENING NIGHT
AT THE COLISEUM:** Monday, April 3 vs. Los Angeles Angels, 7:05 p.m. PDT

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

AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONS...1902 • 1905 • 1910 • 1911 • 1913 • 1914 • 1929 • 1930 • 1931 • 1972 • 1973 • 1974 • 1988 • 1989 • 1990

2016 RECORD: 69-93, Fifth Place, American League West

TOP RETURNNEES: Khris Davis, OF, .247, 42 HR, 102 RBI, seventh player in Athletics history with 40 home runs
Marcus Semien, SS, .238, 27 HR, 75 RBI, tied for the lead among Major League shortstops in home runs
Ryan Madson, RHP, 6-7, 30 saves, 3.62 ERA, second A's pitcher over the last 10 years with 30 saves
Ryan Dull, RHP, 5-5, 3 saves, 2.42 ERA, 70 games, led American League rookies in games pitched
Stephen Vogt, C, .251, 14 HR, 56 RBI, AL All-Star for 2nd consecutive season
Sean Manaea, LHP, 7-9, 3.86 ERA, ranked second among AL rookies in strikeouts (124) and starts (24)
Sonny Gray, RHP, 5-11, 5.69 ERA, career ERA of 3.42 ranks ninth in Oakland history
Ryon Healy, IF, .305, 13 HR, 37 RBI, led AL rookies in hits (82) and doubles (20) after the ASB

TOP NEWCOMERS: Matt Joyce, OF, .242, 13 HR, 42 RBI with Pittsburgh...set ML record with 21 pinch walks
Rajai Davis, OF, .249, 12 HR, 48 RBI with Cleveland...career high in homers, led AL in stolen bases (43)
Trevor Plouffe, IF, .260, 12 HR, 47 RBI with Minnesota...batting average was a career high
Santiago Casilla, RHP, 2-5, 31 saves, 3.57 ERA with San Francisco...career high 65 strikeouts

Spring Training Guidelines

FACILITY BREAKDOWN: A's workouts will take place at the Lew Wolff Training Complex, 160 East Athletics Way in Mesa, beginning when pitchers and catchers report and continuing through the end of full squad workouts. All A's players in Major League camp will dress in the home clubhouse at Hohokam Stadium and then go to the LWTC for practices. The drive from Hohokam Stadium to the Lew Wolff Training Complex is less than five minutes.

A's CLUBHOUSE: The A's clubhouse at Hohokam Stadium will be open to members of the media with proper credentials beginning approximately one hour prior to team stretch. Stretch time varies from day to day; media are asked to check @AsMediaAlerts on Twitter daily for updated clubhouse hours. The clubhouse may close for team meetings, etc. at certain times. Please do not lounge or conduct interviews in the weight room/exercise area. Once games begin, the clubhouse also will open to media during games for access to players who have completed their work for the day.

FIELD ACCESS: During workouts at the Lew Wolff Training Complex, media are permitted outside of dugouts, in the open area behind the backstops and on the grass behind the batting cages. Media are not permitted in fair or foul territory down the lines on any fields at the Lew Wolff Training Complex. At Hohokam Stadium, media are permitted in the dugout area and foul territory behind home plate extending down to (but not past) first and third base until the batting cage is removed from the field of play, at which point media will be asked to leave the field. The A's dugout will remain accessible to the media until 45 minutes before game time.

MANAGER INTERVIEW SESSIONS: Prior to the start of Cactus League games, A's manager Bob Melvin will be available to the media each morning during the A's stretch time at the Lew Wolff Training Complex near the picnic tables on the west side behind the administrative building. Once games start, he will be available at Hohokam Stadium in the first base dugout during team stretch time. He also will be available on the field immediately following the conclusion of each workout session and game.

"A's MEDIA ALERTS" ON TWITTER: The A's media relations department will provide frequent updates through its media-only Twitter account. For clubhouse hours, interview times and other media alerts, please follow @AsMediaAlerts. Player transactions and other relevant game information will continue to be posted at @Athletics.

Credentials & Parking

CREDENTIALS: Media members covering A's Spring Training workout sessions and games must have a credential issued by the Oakland A's, Major League Baseball or the Baseball Writers Association of America (BBWAA). Any media member without proper credentials will be denied access. **Credentials must be requested through MLB's credentialing website at credentials.mlb.com. All credential requests must be accompanied by a head shot to be uploaded to the site. Failure to upload a head shot will result in a denial of your request.** Daily credentials can be picked up at the player/press will call window to the right of Gate D at Hohokam Stadium beginning approximately two hours prior to game time; prior to that time, credentials can be picked up from the security guard at Gate D.

PARKING: The A's provide complimentary parking to media members at both facilities. At Hohokam, media may park in the Center Street Lot (Lot D) located behind home plate and to the right as you enter the parking lot at the home plate entrance. At the LWTC, they may park in the main lot facing the administrative building.

MEALS: When games begin, lunch is available for \$8 to media members with proper credentials in the landing area at the top of Section 209. The A's are able to provide complimentary lunches only to Bay Area beat writers, play-by-play broadcasters and designated team officials. There is no lunch service at the LWTC.

TV/PHOTOGRAPHY: TV camera crews and still photographers with proper credentials must stay in assigned areas at all times. No roving is permitted. TV camera crews are not allowed in the clubhouse pregame, or in the training room or weight room at any time. Still photographers are not allowed in the clubhouse, training room or weight room at any time.

Roster Information

SPRING TRAINING ROSTER NOTES: The Athletics will have 69 players in camp this spring. In addition to the club's 40-man roster, the A's will have 29 non-roster invitees in camp. A current roster is attached.

COACHING STAFF: Manager Bob Melvin, beginning his sixth full season with the A's, welcomes back six coaches from last year along with the return of Chip Hale to the A's organization. Hale takes over at third base for the A's after spending two seasons managing the Arizona Diamondbacks. He previously served as bench coach with the A's under Melvin from 2012-14. The remainder of the coaching staff remains the same with Mike Aldrete as first base coach, Darren Bush as hitting coach, Scott Emerson as bullpen coach, Marcus Jensen as assistant hitting and catching coach, Mark Kotsay as bench coach, and Curt Young as pitching coach.

NON-ROSTER PLAYERS (29): The Athletics will have 29 non-roster invitees in Major League camp. The players include RHP Michael Brady, RHP Simon Castro, IF Matt Chapman, RHP Trey Cochran-Gill, IF Jermaine Curtis, OF Alejandro De Aza, OF Jaff Decker, LHP Ross Detwiler, LHP Felix Doubront, RHP Heath Fillmyer, RHP Daniel Gossett, RHP Tucker Healy, RHP Aaron Kurcz, OF Andrew Lambo, C Ryan Lavarney, IF Richie Martin, C Matt McBride, IF Max Muncy, C Sean Murphy, OF Chris Parmelee, LHP A.J. Puk, IF Rangel Ravelo, IF Josh Rodriguez, IF Max Schrock, RHP Chris Smith, RHP Jose Smith, RHP Tyler Sturdevant, RHP Cesar Valdez, and OF Kenny Wilson. Sixteen of the 29 non-roster players have Major League experience (Castro, Curtis, De Aza, Decker, Detwiler, Doubront, Lambo, Lavarney, McBride, Muncy, Parmelee, Rodriguez, C. Smith, J. Smith, Sturdevant, Wilson).

SIGNING UPDATE:

Through 2017 (36): RHP Raul Alcántara, IF Yonder Alonso, RHP John Axford, IF Franklin Barreto, RHP Chris Bassitt, RHP Paul Blackburn, OF Jaycob Brugman, IF Mark Canha, RHP Jharel Cotton, LHP Daniel Coulombe, OF Khris Davis, OF Rajai Davis, RHP Ryan Dull, RHP Kendall Graveman, RHP Sonny Gray, RHP Jesse Hahn, IF Ryon Healy, RHP Liam Hendriks, IF Jed Lowrie (includes club option for 2018), LHP Sean Manaea, C Bruce Maxwell, RHP Daniel Mengden, RHP Frankie Montas, IF Yairo Muñoz, IF Renato Núñez, OF Matt Olson, LHP Dillon Overton, C Josh Phegley, IF Chad Pinder, IF Trevor Plouffe, IF Marcus Semien, OF Jake Smolinski, RHP Andrew Triggs, C Stephen Vogt, RHP Bobby Wahl, IF Joey Wendle

Through 2018 (4): RHP Santiago Casilla, LHP Sean Doolittle (includes club options for 2019 and 2020), OF Matt Joyce, RHP Ryan Madson

MAJOR OFFSEASON TRANSACTIONS:

Nov. 12 Paul Blackburn acquired from Seattle for Danny Valencia
Nov. 30 Matt Joyce agrees to terms on a two-year contract
Jan. 3 Rajai Davis agrees to terms on a one-year contract
Jan. 18 Trevor Plouffe agrees to terms on a one-year contract
Jan. 20 Santiago Casilla agrees to terms on a two-year contract

How the A's 40-Man Roster Was Built

Free Agent Draft (10): OF Jaycob Brugman (2013, 17th round), LHP Sean Doolittle (2007, first compensation), RHP Ryan Dull (2012, 32nd round), RHP Sonny Gray (2011, first round), IF Ryon Healy (2013, third round), C Bruce Maxwell (2012, second round), OF Matt Olson (2012, compensation following first round), LHP Dillon Overton (2013, second round), IF Chad Pinder (2013, Competitive Balance Round B), RHP Bobby Wahl (2013, fifth round)

Signed as Non-Drafted Free Agent (2): IF Yairo Muñoz, IF Renato Núñez

Signed as Free Agent (6): RHP John Axford, RHP Santiago Casilla, OF Rajai Davis, OF Matt Joyce, RHP Ryan Madson, IF Trevor Plouffe

Claimed off waivers (2): OF Jake Smolinski, RHP Andrew Triggs

Acquired Via Trade (20): RHP Raul Alcántara, IF Yonder Alonso, IF Franklin Barreto, RHP Chris Bassitt, RHP Paul Blackburn, IF Mark Canha, RHP Jharel Cotton, LHP Daniel Coulombe, OF Khris Davis, RHP Kendall Graveman, RHP Jesse Hahn, RHP Liam Hendriks, IF Jed Lowrie, LHP Sean Manaea, RHP Daniel Mengden, RHP Frankie Montas, C Josh Phegley, IF Marcus Semien, C Stephen Vogt, IF Joey Wendle

Miscellaneous Information

SPRING TRAINING HISTORY: This year marks the A's 49th Spring Training in Arizona, their third during their second stint in Mesa following 33 consecutive years in Phoenix. The A's Spring Training home at Hohokam Stadium—along with the Lew Wolff Training Complex—underwent a \$26.9M renovation prior to the A's return in 2015. Hohokam Stadium now seats 10,000 fans, including approximately 7,500 seats and space for approximately 2,500 additional fans to sit on the grass berms surrounding the outfield. Among Hohokam Stadium's many new amenities is the largest HD scoreboard in the Cactus League (26 x 56 feet). In March of 2013, the A's and the City of Mesa reached a 20-year agreement for the team to return to Mesa beginning in 2015. Oakland also holds two five-year options that could extend the contract to 30 years. After relocating from Kansas City, the Oakland A's spent their first Spring Training in Bradenton, Fla. before moving to Arizona the following season. The A's had their first stint in Mesa from 1969-78 before a three-year stay in Scottsdale (1979-81). The team then moved to Phoenix for the 1982 Spring Training season.

SPRING TRAINING TICKETS: Spring Training tickets for all A's home games at Hohokam Stadium are currently on sale at athletics.com/tickets or by calling (877) 493-BALL (2255). The Hohokam Stadium box office opens Feb. 6, and will remain open on non-game days from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, and closed Sundays. During all home games, the box office is open from 10 a.m. until a half hour after the game ends. For Spring Training season tickets, call A's Ticket Services at (510) 568-5600, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. PST Monday through Friday. Single game tickets start at just \$10 and are priced dynamically, with prices fluctuating based on factors affecting supply and demand. Groups of 20 or more are eligible for discounted tickets for select games by emailing spring@athletics.com.

REGULAR SEASON TICKETS: Tickets for all A's home games can be purchased at the Oakland Coliseum Box Office, online at athletics.com/tickets, or over the phone at (877) 493-BALL (2255). Membership plans, group tickets and private suites can be purchased by calling (510) 638-GoA's (4627). The A's will continue using dynamic ticket pricing for all individual game tickets for the 2017 season, with rates fluctuating based on factors affecting supply and demand. Fans can lock in their price and save by purchasing seats early.

Spring Training Schedule

SPRING SCHEDULE: The Athletics will play 35 exhibition games this spring in preparation for the 2017 season, including a 32-game Cactus League schedule. In addition to the dates in the desert, the A's will play their traditional three-game Bay Bridge Series against the San Francisco Giants in Northern California from March 30-April 1. The team will play a total of 16 games at Hohokam Stadium this spring, and will break camp March 29 following their 1:05 p.m. game against the Cubs.

BROADCAST SCHEDULE: The A's will televise one Spring Training game from Arizona this year, with CSN California carrying the Sunday, March 12 game at Hohokam Stadium against the world champion Chicago Cubs. Nine games in Arizona will be broadcast on flagship station 95.7 FM The Game and the A's Radio Network. In addition, two Bay Bridge Series games will be broadcast on 95.7 FM The GAME and the A's Radio Network, with the April 1 home game being aired on CSN California as well. Spring Training games not broadcast over the air can be heard live on athletics.com.

FULL SCHEDULE:

Day	Date	Opponent	Site	Time*
Sat.	Feb. 25	at Chicago (NL) – 95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	Sloan Park	1:05 p.m.
Sun.	Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL) – 95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Mon.	Feb. 27	at San Francisco	Scottsdale	1:05 p.m.
Tue.	Feb. 28	Cleveland	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Wed.	March 1	at San Diego	Peoria	1:05 p.m.
Thurs.	March 2	Texas	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Fri.	March 3	San Francisco	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Sat.	March 4	Cleveland – 95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Sun.	March 5	at Seattle	Peoria	1:05 p.m.
<i>Mon.</i>	<i>March 6</i>	<i>OFF DAY</i>		
Tue.	March 7	at Arizona	Salt River	1:05 p.m.
Wed.	March 8	Team Italy	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Thur.	March 9	Cincinnati	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Fri.	March 10	at Kansas City	Surprise	6:05 p.m.
Sat.	March 11	Texas – 95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Sun.	March 12	Chicago (NL) – CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Mon.	March 13	at Cincinnati	Goodyear	1:05 p.m.
Tue.	March 14	Colorado	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
<i>Wed.</i>	<i>March 15</i>	<i>OFF DAY</i>		
Thur.	March 16	at Cleveland	Goodyear	1:05 p.m.
Fri.	March 17	Arizona	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Sat.	March 18	San Diego – 95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Sun.	March 19	at Colorado – 95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	Salt River	1:05 p.m.
Mon.	March 20	Arizona	Hohokam	7:05 p.m.
Tue.	March 21	at Seattle	Peoria	7:10 p.m.
Wed.	March 22	at Chicago (AL)	Glendale	1:05 p.m.
Thur.	March 23	Milwaukee	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Fri.	March 24	Chicago (AL)	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Sat.	March 25	Cincinnati (SS) – 95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
		at Los Angeles (NL)	Glendale	1:05 p.m.
Sun.	March 26	at Milwaukee – 95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	Maryvale	1:05 p.m.
Mon.	March 27	Kansas City	Hohokam	1:05 p.m.
Tue.	March 28	at Los Angeles (AL)	Tempe Diablo	1:05 p.m.
Wed.	March 29	at Chicago (NL)	Sloan Park	1:05 p.m.
Thu.	March 30	at San Francisco – 95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	AT&T Park	7:15 p.m.
Fri.	March 31	at San Francisco	AT&T Park	7:15 p.m.
Sat.	April 1	San Francisco – CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network	Coliseum	12:05 p.m.

*All times are local (SS) denotes split squad