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A's Announce 2021 Coaching Staff

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's announced today that Mark Kotsay will move from quality control coach to third base coach on manager Bob Melvin's coaching staff for the 2021 season.

Kotsay returns for his sixth season on the A's coaching staff. He joined the club as bench coach in 2016 and spent the previous three seasons as the quality control coach. Kotsay will also share infield and defensive positioning duties with Eric Martins.

Darren Bush will be the A's hitting coach for the seventh consecutive season and is in his ninth year on the A's coaching staff. He is the longest tenured hitting coach in Oakland history and his nine seasons as a coach are tied for sixth most in club annals.

Scott Emerson returns as the A's pitching coach. He joined the staff in 2015 as bullpen coach and took over the reins as pitching coach on June 15, 2017. The 2021 season will mark Emerson's 19th in the A's organization.

Ryan Christenson is back for his fourth consecutive season as Melvin's bench coach. The 2021 season will be Christenson's 16th in the A's organization, which includes five years as a minor league manager and seven seasons as a player.

Oakland native Marcus Jensen returns for his seventh season on the A's Major League coaching staff. He joined the staff as assistant hitting/catching coach in 2015 and moved to his current role as bullpen coach in 2018.

Mike Aldrete is in his seventh season on the A's staff, his fourth as first base coach. He rejoined Manager Bob Melvin for a third time in his coaching career as bench coach in 2015, spent two seasons as the A's first base and outfield coach from 2016-17, and was assistant hitting coach in 2018.

Martins is back for his second consecutive season as A's hitting coach and will also share infield and defensive positioning duties with Kotsay. This will be his 21st season in the A's organization, which includes seven years as a minor league player, seven years as an area scout and five years as a minor league hitting coach.

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