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Post Game Notes

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Houston Astros (75-64) at Oakland Athletics (60-79)

Tuesday, September 8, 2015 ♦ O.co Coliseum

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E	LOB
Houston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	7
Oakland	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	x	4	8	0	5

W — Gray (13-7)

L — Kazmir (7-10)

S — None

OAKLAND NOTES

- The Oakland Athletics** won their second straight game...lead the American League with 15 shutouts...have homered in a season-high 14 consecutive games (19 home runs total)...improved to 8-7 against Houston this season...are 39-20 all-time against the Astros...improved to 13-26 when the opponent starts a left-handed pitcher...are 3-5 on this nine-game homestand against Los Angeles-AL (1-2), Seattle (0-3) and Houston (2-0).
- Sonny Gray** snapped a personal three-game losing streak...is 3-4 with a 2.70 ERA (21 er in 70.0 ip) in 10 starts since the All-Star Break after going 10-3 with a 2.04 ERA in 18 starts before the break...improved to 5-4 with a 2.81 ERA (31 er in 99.1 ip) in 14 starts at home compared to 8-3 with a 1.72 ERA (18 er in 94.1 ip) in 14 starts on the road...is now 4-2 with a 1.88 ERA (9 er in 43.0 ip) in six career starts against the Astros.
- Billy Burns** (2-for-4, 2 r, hr, rbi) is batting .344 (22-for-64) with 13 runs scored, one double, one triple, two home runs, eight RBI and eight multiple hit contests over his last 14 games...recorded his third consecutive multiple hit game, his fourth in the last five contests and his team-best 42nd of the year...now has four home runs in 123 career major league games (parts of two seasons) compared to two home runs in 407 career minor league games (parts of five seasons).
- Billy Butler** (3-for-4) extended his hitting streak to nine games with a fourth-inning single...is 15-for-29 (.517) with one home run, three RBI and five multiple hit games over that span...recorded his 29th multiple hit contest of the year and his fourth three-hit game of the season.
- Mark Canha** (2-for-4, r, hr, 3 rbi, so) homered for the sixth time in his last 20 games and is batting .337 (28-for-83) with six doubles, one triple, 22 RBI and 10 multiple hit games over that span...recorded his third consecutive multiple hit contest, his fourth in the last five games and his 23rd of the season.
- Danny Valencia** (1-for-4) is 16-for-50 (.320) with 11 runs scored and 14 RBI over his last 13 games...has hit safely in each of the 13 career games against Houston in which he has an at-bat...is 19-for-46 (.413) with four home runs and 10 RBI in 14 career games against the Astros.

Pitching Lines	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	Pitches/Strikes
Sonny Gray (W, 13-7)	7.0	5	0	0	2	4	0	101/61
Ryan Dull	2.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	23/16

Home Runs	Inning	Count	RBI	Location	Pitcher
Billy Burns (4)	3rd	0-2	1	CF	Kazmir
Mark Canha (14)	5th	1-0	3	LF	Kazmir

HOUSTON NOTES

- The Houston Astros** have lost five of the last seven games...fell to 29-27 against American League West competition this season...are 27-40 on the road this year...are 7-8 against the A's this season...are 0-2 on this 10-game road trip to Oakland (0-2), Los Angeles-AL (three games) and Texas (four games).
- Scott Kazmir** is 2-5 with a 3.29 ERA (20 er in 54.2 ip) and 44 strikeouts since being acquired from the A's on July 23...is 5-2 with a 1.60 ERA (13 er in 73.0 ip), 23 walks and 68 strikeouts in 11 starts this season against American League West competition...allowed four or more earned runs in a start for just the third time this season (last: 6, August 17 at Tampa Bay).
- Carlos Gomez** (1-for-4, 2b, so) has hit safely in 12 of his last 13 games...is batting .314 (16-for-51) with six doubles, one home run and six RBI over that span.
- Jed Lowrie** (0-for-4) had his seven-game hitting streak snapped...was 11-for-23 (.478) with four doubles, three home runs, seven RBI and two walks during the streak.
- Luis Valbuena** (1-for-3, bb) is hitting .318 (28-for-88) with six doubles, three home runs, five RBI and 11 walks in 28 career games against the A's.

Pitching Lines	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	Pitches/Strikes
Scott Kazmir (L, 7-10)	6.0	7	4	4	2	3	2	97/64
Chad Qualls	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0	10/8
Josh Fields	1.0	1	0	0	0	2	0	14/11

Home Runs	Inning	Count	RBI	Location	Pitcher
None					

Time of Game.....	2:33	Streak.....	W2	April/May/June.....	9-14 / 11-19 / 15-12
First Pitch.....	7:08 p.m.	Homestand.....	3-5	July/Aug./Sept.....	10-14 / 13-15 / 2-5
Temperature.....	87 degrees	Last 5.....	2-3		
		Last 10.....	5-5	A's Starter goes 7 or more/Less than 7... 33-14 / 27-65	
Today's Attendance.....	11,364	Series Record.....	2-0	A's/Opponents score first.....	46-29 / 14-50
Attendance Total.....	1,599,166	Series First Game.....	21-24	Leading after 7th/8th inning.....	52-7 / 55-2
Average (74 games).....	21,610	vs. AL West.....	28-32	Tied After 7th/8th inning.....	6-8 / 5-8
Win/Lose in Last AB.....	8-17	vs. RHP/LHP.....	47-53 / 13-26	Trailing After 7th/8th inning.....	2-64 / 0-69
Extra Innings.....	6-9	Home/Road.....	33-41 / 27-38		
Overall Record.....	60-79	Day/Night.....	23-30 / 37-49		