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News & Notes About the A's Upcoming Homestand

OAKLAND – The Oakland A's first May homestand opens on Monday, May 11, with a three-game series against the Boston Red Sox and a weekend set against the Chicago White Sox.

David Ortiz, Dustin Pedroia and the rest of the Red Sox open the homestand with a three-game series from May 11-13, which features Tuesday's Sean Doolittle Fleece Blanket giveaway presented by Kelly-Moore Paints.

After Thursday's off day, the A's will play host to Jeff Samardzija and the Chicago White Sox in a three-game weekend series which features the first fireworks show of the year on Saturday—Superhero Fireworks Night presented by XFINITY.

The homestand concludes with a Sunday afternoon matinee featuring the A's Mustache Socks giveaway driven by Chevrolet and the second Little League Day of the 2015 season.

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	TELEVISION
MONDAY, MAY 11	BOSTON RED SOX	7:05 P.M.	CSNCA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>First Pitch: NetSuite Representative</i> • <i>National Anthem: Napa High School Choir</i> 			
TUESDAY, MAY 12	BOSTON RED SOX	7:05 P.M.	CSNCA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Giveaway: Sean Doolittle Silhouette Fleece Blanket presented by Kelly-Moore Paints (15,000 fans)</i> • <i>Free Parking Tuesday, driven by Chevrolet</i> • <i>National Anthem: Serene Smith</i> • <i>First Pitch: Brenna Rodriguez</i> • <i>School of Imagination off-site visit by Stephen Vogt</i> 			
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13	BOSTON RED SOX	12:35 P.M.	CSNCA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>BART \$2 Wednesday (\$2 tickets sold out)</i> • <i>First Pitch: AAA Patroller of the Year Geovany Rios</i> • <i>National Anthem: Anthony Smith</i> • <i>Color Guard: US Coast Guard, Base Alameda Color Guard</i> • <i>Pre-Game Presentation: AAA School Safety Patrollers & Patrol Advisors</i> • <i>Food Bank Wednesday</i> 			
FRIDAY, MAY 15	CHICAGO WHITE SOX	7:05 P.M.	CSNCA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Topps Friday Family Pack</i> • <i>CSNCA Authentic Fan Friday</i> • <i>First Pitch: Dione Mason (National Foster Care Month)</i> • <i>National Anthem: Edna Brewer Middle School Band</i> • <i>Green Stampede Homework Club</i> • <i>"A It Forward" field visit</i> 			
SATURDAY, MAY 16	CHICAGO WHITE SOX	6:05 P.M.	CSNCA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Superhero Fireworks presented by XFINITY</i> • <i>Cache Creek Saturday</i> • <i>National Anthem: Grace Leer</i> • <i>First Pitch: XFINITY representative</i> • <i>Energize Your Field: San Lorenzo Little League</i> • <i>A's Community Fund Silent Auction, behind Section 120, benefitting Seneca Family of Agencies</i> 			
SUNDAY, MAY 17	CHICAGO WHITE SOX	1:05 P.M.	CSNCA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Giveaway: Mustache Socks driven by Chevrolet (15,000 fans)</i> • <i>Little League Day driven by Chevrolet (Festival in B Lot at 9 a.m., parade on field at 10:45 a.m.)</i> • <i>National Anthem: Jonah Broscow</i> • <i>First Pitch: Ken Ellison</i> • <i>Take the Field with the A's program, presented by Wells Fargo</i> • <i>Wounded Warriors Flag Raising</i> • <i>A's Amigos program visit, sponsored by Kelly-Moore Paints</i> • <i>Play Sun Smart Program Launch</i> • <i>Post-Game Race Around the Bases, driven by Chevrolet</i> • <i>A's Community Fund Silent Auction, behind Section 120, benefitting Oakland A's Community Fund</i> 			

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

Promotions & Special Events

Sean Doolittle Silhouette Fleece Blanket Giveaway, presented by Kelly-Moore Paints: On Tuesday, May 12, 15,000 fans will receive a Sean Doolittle Fleece Blanket, presented by Kelly-Moore Paints. The 50" x 60" green and gold blanket features a silhouette of the A's closer's signature pose, and will keep you warm whether you're on the couch or tailgating at the Coliseum.

Superhero Fireworks, presented by XFINITY: On Saturday, May 16, the A's will host Superhero Fireworks Night, presented by XFINITY. There will be superhero-themed music during the fireworks, and fans can enjoy the show from the outfield grass (space permitting).

Little League Day, driven by Chevrolet: The A's will host more than 10,000 little leaguers on Sunday, May 17, for the second Little League Day, driven by Chevrolet, of the 2015 season. Little Leaguers will be treated to a pre-game festival in B Lot, parade around the O.co Coliseum field, and one team will get to take the field with the A's prior to the 1:05 p.m. game.

Mustache Socks, driven by Chevrolet: On Sunday, May 17, 15,000 fans will receive a pair of A's-themed Mustache Socks. Put the "A" in FASHION with socks perfect for everything from the Sunday breakfast table to the board room.

Community Relations

AAA School Safety Patrollers & Patrol Advisors Honored: AAA Northern California and the Oakland A's will honor the top AAA School Safety Patrollers and Patrol Advisors at the A's vs. Red Sox game on Wednesday, May 13. AAA Patroller of the Year Geovany Rios, a fifth grader of Bella Vista Elementary, Oakland, will be throwing out the first pitch. He will be joined by AAA Patrollers of the Year Ryan Billingsley, a fifth grader of Lone Elementary School, Lone, and Faguni Gupta, a sixth grader of Holy Family School, San Jose. This program recognizes and celebrates local patrollers with exemplary leadership qualities who play an important role in making school zones safer for their classmates and for the contributions they make to their school communities.

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'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 5th inning.

A's Amigos: The A's Amigos program gives our community's bilingual Spanish speaking children of non-profit organizations the opportunity to interact with bilingual speaking A's players. Participants are able to learn about the value of sportsmanship and hard work from their role models. In addition to the pre-game chat, each child receives a game ticket and an A's cap. A's Amigos is sponsored by Kelly-Moore Paints.

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 Sunday, May 17, youth players from a local youth 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.

Energize Your Field: On Saturday, May 16, baseball players from San Lorenzo Little League will be attending the game and watching the A's take batting practice from the field. Earlier this year, the A's renovated area baseball fields through the Energize Your Field program, sponsored by PG&E and the Good Tidings Foundation. As part of the Energize Your Field program visit, an A's player will be attending a field dedication at the San Lorenzo Little League Complex from 12-1 p.m.

Food Bank Wednesdays: On Wednesday, May 13—and select Wednesdays throughout the season—A's players' wives and girlfriends will be on-site to help collect cans of food and monetary donations and distribute ticket vouchers for future games and player cards.

"School of Imagination" Visit: This season, Stephen Vogt has partnered with Dublin's School of Imagination for special needs children. Throughout the season—including his second visit on Tuesday, May 12—Vogt will visit the school to assist with projects, interact with students, and invite them to A's games.

"A It Forward" presented by PG&E: The "A It Forward" 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 on Friday, May 15.

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