

OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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OAKLAND ATHLETICS (10-5) VS. COLORADO ROCKIES (8-8)

TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2017 – HOHOKAM PARK – 1:05 P.M. MST A'S WEBCAST

ABOUT THE A'S: Had their six-game Cactus League winning streak snapped yesterday...are 8-2 over the last 10 games and 10-5 (.667) overall...have the best record in the CL and fourth best in the majors...have scored 62 runs over the last six CL games (10.3 per game) after tallying 37 runs over the first nine contests (4.1 per game)...however, have allowed 62 runs in the last eight games (60 er in 71.0 ip, 7.61 ERA) after yielding 24 over the first seven contests (3.25 ERA)...have a 5.59 ERA overall, which is second highest in the CL (Seattle, 6.12)...are 6-2 at Hohokam and 4-3 on the road...this is the A's 49th Spring Training in Arizona, their third since returning to Mesa in 2015 after a 36-year absence...after training in Bradenton, Florida in 1968, the A's came west to Arizona in 1969 and trained in Mesa from 1969-78...moved to Scottsdale in 1979 and then spent 33 seasons at Phoenix Municipal Stadium from 1982-2014...are scheduled to play 34 games this spring plus an exhibition game against Italy's World Baseball Classic club...the total includes 31 games in Arizona and three in the Bay Area against the Giants (March 30-April 1)...the A's went 12-17-3 (.422) last spring, which was the fifth worst record in the Cactus League... it marked the first time the A's finished Spring Training with a losing record since 2011 when they went 12-21-1...committed 45 errors, which was six more than any other team (39, Chicago-NL)...they were the most by an A's team since at least 2000...the pitching staff issued 125 walks, which was the most among CL teams and second most in the majors to Boston (129)...the walks were the most by an A's team during the spring since at least 1990...compiled a 6.10 ERA, which was third highest in the majors to San Diego (6.89) and San Francisco (6.37)...the ERA was second highest by an A's team during the spring since at least 1990 (6.22 in 1999)

YESTERDAY: The A's lost to Cincinnati at Goodyear, 3-1...Kendall Graveman started for Oakland and took the loss, allowing three runs on four hits in 3.2 innings (1 bb, 1 so)....Ryan Dull recorded the final out of the fourth inning and Jesse Hahn closed out the game with 4.0 scoreless innings of relief (2 h, 2 so)...the A's were held hitless until Mark Canha singled with one out in the fifth...Franklin Barreto singled in the eighth for Oakland's second hit and Chris Parmelee homered in the ninth for the A's only run of the game.

A's vs. ROCKIES: This is the first of two meetings between the A's and Rockies this spring...meet again on Sunday at Salt River Fields...the two clubs met twice last spring, with the A's winning 9-4 at Mesa on March 4 and losing 6-2 at Salt River Fields on March 15...Oakland is 8-2 against the Rockies over the previous five springs.

PLAYER NOTES: Yonder Alonso is tied for seventh in the Cactus League in walks (6)...has hit safely in each of his last four games (6-for-10, .600) after going 2-for-9 (.222) over his first six contests... *Franklin Barreto* has hit safely in each of his last three games (4-for-5, .800) and is 10-for-20 (.500) in 13 games overall...has appeared in eight games at shortstop and five at second base... Mark Canha has appeared in four games in right field, three in left field and one in center field... Matt Chapman (NR) has reached base safely in seven of his last nine plate appearances and is 3-for-5 (.600) with four walks, four runs scored and five RBI over that six-game span... Khris Davis had his first two-hit game Saturday against Texas and is 3-for-5 (.600) with two doubles over his last two games after going 2-for-15 (.133) over his first six contests... Ryon Healy has driven in at least one run in six of his nine games and ranks third in the CL in RBI (10)...is 6-for-17 (.353) over his last six games after going 1-for-8 (.125) over his first three contests...went 3-for-3 with a double, home run and three RBI last Saturday against Texas...has appeared in four games at designated hitter, three at first base and two at third base... Matt Joyce has reached base safely in seven of his eight games and is tied for second in the CL in walks (7)... Jed Lowrie went 3-for-4 last Thursday against Cincinnati... Chris Parmelee (NR) has four hits in his last four at bats, including his first home run yesterday at Cincinnati...started the spring 1-for-14 (.071)... Trevor Plouffe went 0-for-3 yesterday at Cincinnati to snap his six-game hitting streak (8-for-14, .571)... Adam Rosales has appeared in six games at shortstop and two at second base... *Marcus Semien* is 6-for-11 (.545) over his last four games after going 3-for-15 (.200) over his first five contests...is tied for fourth in the CL in RBI (9)...went 3-for-3 with four RBI a week ago today against Arizona.

IN CAMP: The A's have 48 players in camp...the total includes 35 players on the 40-man roster, which is full, and 13 non-roster invitees...the breakdown includes 22 pitchers, six catchers, 12 infielders and eight outfielders...began the spring with 70 players in camp, which were the A's most players in camp since 1982 when they had 78 (35 roster, 43 non-roster).

WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC: Non-roster invitee Ryan Lavarnway has started all five games for Israel and is 7-for-15 (.467) with four walks, one double, one home run and four RBI...Lavarnway is tied for seventh in the

WBC in hits...he earned Pool A MVP honors after going 5-for-9 (.556) with four walks, a home run and three RBI in three games in Seoul...minor leaguer Joey Wagman is also pitching for Israel and made his only appearance last Wednesday against the Kingdom of the Netherlands (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb)...Israel (1-1 in second round play) squares off against Japan tomorrow morning at 3:00 am MST...non-roster invitee Cesar Valdez made his first appearance of the WBC Sunday for the Dominican Republic in a 10-3 win over Colombia (1.2 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb)...the Dominican Republic has advanced to Pool F play at San Diego and opens against Puerto Rico tonight at 6:00 MST...minor leaguer Jake Sanchez pitched twice for Mexico (2.0 ip, 2 h, 1 bb, 1 so), which has been eliminated.

OFF SEASON MOVES: The A's signed five free agents this offseason, including Matt Joyce (Nov. 30), Rajai Davis (Jan. 3), Trevor Plouffe (Jan. 18), Santiago Casilla (Jan. 20) and Adam Rosales (Jan. 25)...the A's also acquired one 40-man player via trade on Nov. 12 when they received Paul Blackburn from Seattle for Danny Valencia.

CONTRACT STATUS: The A's have four players under contract beyond the 2017 season...Santiago Casilla, Sean Doolittle, Matt Joyce and Ryan Madson are signed through 2018 with the A's holding club options on Doolittle for 2019 and 2020...Jed Lowrie has a club option for 2018.

MEDIA INFORMATION: 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...A's manager Bob Melvin will be available to the media in the first base dugout during team stretch time...Melvin will also be available on the field immediately following the game...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...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...lunch is available for \$8 to media members with proper credentials in the landing area at the top of Section 209...the A's provide complementary parking to members of the media in the Center Street Lot (Lot D), located behind home plate and to the right as your enter the parking lot at the home plate entrance.

A's MEDIA ALERTS: 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.

A's ON THE AIR: The A's radio network and flagship station 95.7 FM The Game has seven remaining broadcasts this spring, including three games against San Francisco in the Bay Area...the schedule includes all remaining Saturday and Sunday games, plus the March 30 and 31 games at San Francisco (31st on 102.9 FM KBLX)...Ken Korach returns for his 22nd year in the broadcast booth and will be joined by Vince Cotroneo (12th) and Ray Fosse, who enters his 32nd season in the booth...Comcast SportsNet California has one remaining broadcast on April 1 against the Giants in Oakland (12:05 pm)...Glen Kuiper joins Fosse in the broadcast booth for that telecast...all games not broadcast over the air can be heard live via the club's web site...in addition, five remaining games will be televised by MLB Network...two of those will air in the Bay Area, including: Mar. 21 at Seattle (10:00 PM PDT) and Mar. 24 vs. Chicago-AL (Mar. 25 at 6:00 AM PDT).

TRANSACTIONS

- March 5 Michael Brady, Trey Cochran-Gill, Heath Fillmyer, Tucker Healy, Aaron Kurcz, A.J. Puk and Josh Smith reassigned to minor league camp
- March 12 Renato Nuñez optioned to Nashville; Jermaine Curtis, Felix Doubront, Andrew Lambo, Richie Martin, Max Muncy, Zach Neal, Rangel Ravelo, Josh Rodriguez, Tyler Sturdevant and Kenny Wilson reassigned to minor league camp
- March 13 Paul Blackburn, Jaycob Brugman, Yairo Muñoz and Bobby Wahl optioned to Nashville

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'S AVAILABLE PITCHERS

Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance and third start of the spring... allowed five runs in his first start March 4 against Cleveland but has allowed just one run in 5.2 innings in his other two appearances...made his Major League debut with the A's last year following an April 29 promotion and went 7-9 with a 3.86 ERA in 25 games, including 24 starts...ranked second among American League rookies in strikeouts (124), innings pitched (144.2) and games started and tied for fifth in wins...the strikeouts tied for sixth most in Oakland history by a rookie...allowed a .248 opponents batting average and walked 37 batters for a .298 on-base percentage...was 2-4 with a 6.02 ERA and .282 opponents batting average in nine starts when he was placed on the 15-day disabled list June 14 with a left pronator strain...was reinstated June 29 and went 5-5 with a 2.74 ERA and .229 opponents batting average in 16 games, 15 starts, following his return...his ERA following his return from the DL was fifth lowest in the AL...his opponents batting average included .180 against left-handed hitters compared to .263 against right-handers...based on a minimum of 140 innings pitched, the mark against lefties was second lowest in the AL.

	MANAEA'S 20)17 SPF	RING 1	raini	NG A										
Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	so	HR				
*Feb. 27	at San Francisco	5-4	_	0.00	2.0	0	0	0	1	2	0				
March 4	Cleveland	5-15	L	9.82	1.2	5	5	4	1	2	0				
March 9	Cincinnati	12-5	W	6.14	3.2	3	1	1	1	3	1				
Totals (3	games, 2 starts)	1-1	6.14	7.1	8	6	5	3	7	1					
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#61 JOHN AXFORD RHP (0-0, 6.00 ERA)

Allowed two runs in his last outing Saturday against Texas (1.0 ip, 4 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 so) after tossing a scoreless inning in each of his first two appearances...went 6-4 with three saves and a 3.97 ERA in 68 relief appearances in his first season with the A's last year...struck out 60 batters in 65.2 innings and his average of 8.22 strikeouts per nine innings was the lowest mark of his career...had a 2.70 ERA over his first 26 games and a 2.19 ERA over his final 24 but logged a 9.42 ERA in 18 games in between (June 15 to July 25)...tied for second among American League relievers in blown saves (7), but only one came in the ninth inning or later...tied for fourth in most walks (30) and has now issued 215 free passes since the start of the 2010 season, which are the most in the majors by a reliever...tied for seventh among AL relievers in 2016 in wins (6)...allowed 8-of-16 (50.0%) inherited runners to score...first batters faced hit .281 but he issued just three walks (.324 on-base percentage) and allowed just two doubles (.313 slugging percentage)...opponents hit .258, including .256 (30-for-117) by left-handed hitters and .259 (35-for-135) by right-handers

35 DANIEL COULOMBE LHP (0-1, 8.31 ERA)

Has allowed at least one run in each of his four appearances, including his last outing Friday at Kansas City (1.1 ip, 3 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 1 so)...opponents are 10-for-21 (.476)...was 3-1 with a 4.53 ERA and .216 opponents batting average in 35 games over five stints with the A's last year...struck out 54 batters in 47.2 innings (10.20 per nine innings)...his opponents average included a .208 mark by right-handed hitters compared to .227 by left-handers...allowed five of his six home runs and issued 14 of his 17 walks to righties...had a .557 OPS against lefties, .692 against righties... first batters faced hit .156 with two walks (.200 on-base percentage) and a double (.188 slugging percentage)...allowed 3-of-12 (25.0%) inherited runners to score...had a .255 opponents average over his first 15 pitches in a game, .148 after that...had no decisions, a 1.08 ERA and .200 opponents batting average in 20 relief appearances for Triple-A Nashville... did not allow a home run in 25.0 innings and struck out 35 (12.6 per nine innings)...allowed a .179 batting average against left-handed hitters compared to .216 against right-handers...opponents hit .111 with runners in scoring position

#62 SEAN DOOLITTLE LHP (2-3, 4 SV, 3.23 ERA in 2016)

Is scheduled to make his first appearance of the spring...was 2-3 with four saves and a 3.23 ERA in 44 games last year in a season shortened by a two-month stint on the disabled list with a strained left shoulder...struck out 45 batters in 39.0 innings (10.38 per nine innings) and walked just eight

(1.85 per nine innings)...had a strikeout-to-walk ratio of 5.63, which tied for ninth among American League relievers...had a .231 opponents batting average and .272 on-base percentage...16 of the 33 hits he allowed were for extra bases...had career highs in home runs (6), slugging percentage (.434) and OPS (.705)...his opponents batting average included a .206 mark against left-handed hitters compared to .250 against right-handers... issued seven of his eight walks to righties... allowed a .099 batting average with two strikes and a .176 average with two outs...opponents hit .213 with runners in scoring position...allowed 5-of-18 (27.8%) inherited runners to score...first batters faced hit .350 with a .409 on-base percentage and .625 slugging percentage

#78 DANIEL GOSSETT RHP (0-0, 4.26 ERA)

The non-roster invitee has made three appearances, including one start... allowed three runs on two hits in 2.1 innings in his last appearance last Thursday against Cincinnati after allowing no runs or hits in his first two outings (4.0 ip)...pitched at three different levels in the A's farm system last year and combined for a 10-6 record and a 2.69 ERA in 27 starts with Single-A Stockton, Double-A Midland and Triple-A Nashville...led the A's farm system in strikeouts (151), ranked second in innings pitched (153.2), tied for second in wins and sixth in ERA...had career highs in wins, innings pitched, strikeouts and wild pitches (18) and matched his high in games and games started...surrendered just eight home runs, an average of 0.47 per nine innings...was 5-4 with a 3.47 ERA over his first 16 starts through July 7...then went 5-2 with a 1.66 ERA over his final 11 starts beginning July 13...was charged with two runs or fewer in 10 of those 11 starts... allowed a .221 opponents batting average, including .219 against righthanded hitters and .224 against left-handers...yielded six of his eight home runs to righties...six came with the bases empty...held the opposition to a .154 batting average when leading off an inning.

#44 RYAN MADSON RHP (0-0, 18.00 ERA)

Has allowed two runs in each of his first two appearances, including his last outing Saturday against Texas (1.0 ip, 3 h, 2 r, 2 er, 1 bb, 1 so)... saved a team-leading 30 games in his first season with Oakland last year to become just the second A's pitcher over the last 10 years to save 30 or more games (Balfour, 38 in 2013)...it was his second career 30-save season (32 in 2011)...ranked ninth in the American League in saves but tied for second with seven blown saves...had the fourth lowest save percentage (81.1%)...was charged with all seven of his blown saves against AL West competition (Texas 3, Houston 2, Los Angeles 1, Seattle 1)...had a 5.73 ERA and .331 opponents batting average in 32 games against the West compared to a 1.42 ERA and .165 opponents average in his other 31 contests...was 10-for-17 (58.9%) in saves against the West, 20-for-20 against everyone else...was 6-7 with a 3.62 ERA in 63 appearances. tied for third among AL relievers in losses (7), tied for seventh in wins (6) and tied for 10th in opponents grounded into double plays (8)...allowed a .244 batting average against left-handed hitters compared to .270 against right-handers.

UPCOMING PROBABLES

March 14 vs. Colorado

Rockies: RHP Jon Gray, RHP Jeff Hoffman, LHP Mike Dunn, RHP Carlos Estevez, RHP Miguel Castro

March 15 OFF DAY

Jharel Cotton is scheduled to start a Triple-A game (home vs. Cubs)

A's: RHP Andrew Triggs, RHP Chris Smith, RHP Ryan Madson, LHP Ross Detwiler, RHP Liam Hendriks

Indians: RHP Zach McAllister, RHP Dan Otero, LHP Kyle Crockett, RHP Steve Delabar, LHP James Russell

March 17 vs. Arizona

A's: RHP Raul Alcantara

Diamondbacks: RHP Archie Bradley, RHP Evan Marshall, RHP Braden Shipley, RHP Zack Godley

2017 OAKLAND A'S SPRING TRAINING SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

							HOME	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RADIO/TV
DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	RECORD	WINNER	LOSER	ATTEND.	CUM.	March 15	OFF DAY		
Feb. 25	at Chicago (NL)	L, 3-4	0-1	Berg	C.Smith	14,929		March 16	at Cleveland	1:05	
Feb. 26	Los Angeles (AL)	L, 3-5	0-2	Miller	Kurcz	4,072	4,072	March 17	Arizona	1:05	
Feb. 27	at San Francisco	W, 5-4	1-2	Castro	Suarez	7,385		March 18	San Diego	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
Feb. 28	Cleveland	W, 5-4	2-2	J.Smith	Russell	3,108	7,180	March 19	at Colorado	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 1	at San Diego	L, 0-5	2-3	Bawcom	Coulombe	1,864		March 20	Arizona	7:05	
March 2	Texas	W, 5-1	3-3	Hahn	Hauschild	3,326	10,506	March 21	at Seattle	7:10	MLBN
March 3	San Francisco	W, 6-1	4-3	Graveman	Samardzij	a 8,203	18,709	March 22	at Chicago (AL)	1:05	
March 4	Cleveland	L, 5-15	4-4	Clevinger	Manaea	6,707	25,416	March 23	Milwaukee	1:05	
March 5	at Seattle	W, 5-4	5-4	Detwiler	DeJong	6,639		March 24	Chicago (AL)	1:05	MLBN
March 6	OFF DAY							March 25	Cincinnati	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 7	at Arizona	W, 21-13	6-4	Dull	Bradley	8,208			at Los Angeles (NL)	1:05	
March 8	Italy (WBC) (exhib.)	W, 7-0		Graveman	Oberto	3,204		March 26	at Milwaukee	1:05	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 9	Cincinnati	W, 12-5	7-4	Manaea	Adelman	4,779	30,195	March 27	Kansas City	1:05	
March 10	at Kansas City	W, 11-7	8-4	Cotton	Hammel	6,507		March 28	at Los Angeles (AL)	1:05	
March 11	Texas	W, 8-7	9-4	Shore	Wolff	6,072	36,267	March 29	at Chicago (NL)	1:05	
March 12	Chicago (NL)	W, 9-8	10-4	Montas	Pugliese	10,606*	46,873	March 30	at San Francisco	7:15	95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 13	at Cincinnati	L, 1-3	10-5	Garrett	Graveman	3,075		March 31	at San Francisco	7:15	102.9 FM KBLX/A's Radio Network
DATE	OPPONENT	T	IME RADI	O/TV				April 1	San Francisco (at Oak)	12:05	CSNCA/95.7 FM The Game/A's Radio Network
March 14	Colorado	•	1:05								