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Oakland Places Crisp on 15-Day DL, Recalls Powell from Sacramento

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland Athletics announced today that it has placed outfielder Coco Crisp on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to May 23, with a strained right intercostal muscle and recalled catcher Landon Powell from Triple-A Sacramento.

Crisp, an offseason free agent acquisition, was originally placed on the DL April 3 after sustaining a fractured left pinky in the A's exhibition game at San Francisco April 2. He was reinstated last Friday and started the team's next two games in center field while batting leadoff. The 30-year-old outfielder missed Sunday's game with his current injury.

A .277 lifetime hitter in eight major league seasons entering 2010, Crisp went two for three with a double and two RBI in his first game Friday against the Giants. It marked only the 16th time in Oakland history that a player had collected two hits and two RBI in an Oakland debut. Crisp returns to the DL with a .333 average (2 for 6) with a double, two sacrifice flies and three RBI.

Powell, who batted .231 (9 for 39) with two doubles and three RBI in 13 games in his previous 2010 stints with the A's, is being called up for the third time this season. Prior to being optioned Friday to Sacramento, the 28-year-old catcher had hit .364 (8 for 22) over his last six games with Oakland. In his last game in Anaheim May 15, Powell went three for four with one RBI. He also caught Dallas Braden's perfect game at the Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum May 9 against the Tampa Bay Rays, the 19th perfect game in Major League history.

Powell was originally recalled from Triple-A April 21 but was sent back two days later without appearing in a game. He then was called up for a second stint April 27, starting 12 games (11 at catcher, one at designated hitter) before being optioned again to Sacramento last Friday. He spent the entire 2009 season on the A's roster, but appeared in just 46 games as Kurt Suzuki's back-up, hitting .229 with seven home runs and 30 RBI in his Major League debut.

The complete 2010 statistics for Crisp and Powell follow:

POWELL	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Sacramento	.167	11	36	6	6	2	0	1	2	10	8	0	0	.306	.348
Oakland	.231	13	39	4	9	2	0	0	3	8	11	1	0	.282	.362

CRISP	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Stockton	.833	2	6	2	5	0	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	1.667	.857
Oakland	.333	2	6	0	2	1	0	0	3	0	1	0	1	.500	.250

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