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A's Release Wuertz; Claim Scribner and Hunter off Waivers from Padres

OAKLAND, Calif. – The Oakland A's claimed right-handed pitcher Evan Scribner and outfielder Cedric Hunter off waivers from the San Diego Padres, the club announced today. To clear a spot on the 40-man roster, the A's released right-handed pitcher Michael Wuertz.

Wuertz had no decisions and a 6.68 ERA in 39 relief appearances with the A's in 2011. He allowed a .280 opponents batting average and walked 26 batters while striking out 32 in 33.2 innings. The 32-year old right-hander went 8-4 with 10 saves, a 3.19 ERA and .206 opponents batting average in 122 games over his previous two seasons with Oakland. Wuertz spent the first five seasons of his career with the Chicago Cubs (2004-08) and has a 21-11 record, 11 saves and a 3.71 ERA in 426 career appearances.

Scribner began the season at Triple-A Tucson but had a 7.07 ERA in 10 appearances over two stints with San Diego. He made his Major League debut during his first stint from April 25 to May 18, posting a 2.45 ERA, but then allowed eight runs in 3.0 innings during his second stay from June 9 to 25. The 26-year old right-handed pitcher spent the balance of the season with Tucson where he was 2-3 with 10 saves and a 4.71 ERA in 28 games. He was placed on the disabled list July 28 with a strained right shoulder and was recalled by San Diego and placed on the 60-day DL September 2. Scribner was originally drafted by Arizona in the 28th round of the 2007 First-Year Player Draft and was traded to San Diego for Tony Clark, July 17, 2008.

Hunter was on the Padres' Opening Day roster and made his ML debut in 2011. He went 1 for 4 (.250) with a walk in six games before he was optioned to Tucson April 9. The 23-year old left-handed hitter spent the remainder of the season with Tucson, batting .255 with two home runs and 33 RBI in 81 games. He was placed on the disabled list July 17 with a strained right groin and missed the remainder of the season. Hunter was originally drafted by San Diego in the third round of the 2006 draft.

The statistics for Wuertz, Scribner and Hunter follow:

WUERTZ	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
OAKLAND	0	0	6.68	39	0	0	0	0	33.2	37	25	25	26	32
CAREER	21	11	3.71	426	0	0	0	11	414.1	349	188	171	198	444

SCRIBNER	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Tucson (AAA)	2	3	4.71	28	0	0	0	10	28.2	27	15	15	12	27
SAN DIEGO	0	0	7.07	10	0	0	0	0	14.0	18	11	11	4	10

HUNTER	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Tucson (AAA)	.255	81	282	44	72	17	3	2	33	28	24	9	4	.358	.322
SAN DIEGO	.250	6	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	.250	.400

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