

1963 KANSAS CITY ATHLETICS

73-89 8th
MGR Eddie Lopat (#30)

DP: 311 to 332

Error: 351 to 354

| | BA | SB | W/K | HR | T | D | L | R | RNG | Def. | | |
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| Norm Siebern #7 | .272 | 1 | | 116 | 121 | 135 | 244 | 245 | AR | 1B131, OF16(LF) | L | R |
| Jerry Lumpe #11 | .271 | 3 | | 112 | 115 | 132 | 243 | 245 | AR | 2B155 | L | R |
| Wayne Causey #2 | .280 | 4 | | 113 | 115 | 135 | 245 | 251 | AR | SS135, 3B2 | L | R |
| Ed Charles "The Glider" #16 | .267 | 15 | | 115 | 116 | 134 | 246 | 243 | AAR | 3B158 | R | R |
| Gino Cimoli #4 | .263 | 3 | | 112 | 116 | 132 | 246 | 242 | AAR | T-1 OF136(RF/CF) | R | R |
| Bobby Del Greco #5 | .212 | 1 | | 116 | 121 | 126 | 231 | 223 | AR | T-1 OF110(CF/LF/RF), PH, 3B2 | R | R |
| Chuck Essegian #6 | .225 | 0 | | 115 | - | 131 | 233 | 226 | SLO | OF53(LF), PH | R | R |
| "Doc" Edwards #10 Howard | X .250 | 0 | | 115 | - | 134 | 236 | 236 | SLO | C63, PH | R | R |
| Jose Tartabull #15 | .240 | 16 | MK | 111 | 115 | 126 | 233 | 234 | AAR | OF71(CF) | L | L |
| Ken Harrelson "Hawk" #12 | .230 | 1 | PK | 116 | 121 | 135 | 234 | 231 | AAR | 1B34, OF28(LF), PH | R | R |
| George Alusik #3 | .267 | 0 | | 123 | - | 142 | 246 | 243 | SLO | OF63(RF/LF), PH | R | R |
| Charlie Lau #8 #14 | X .294 | 1 | | 113 | - | 134 | 252 | 254 | SLO | C50, PH | L | R |
| Manny Jimenez #12 #20 | .280 | 0 | | - | - | 126 | 245 | 251 | SLO | LD OF40(LF/RF), PH | L | R |
| Haywood Sullivan #8 | .212 | 0 | | - | 112 | 131 | 231 | 223 | SLO | C37 | R | R |
| Billy Bryan #18 | .169 | 0 | PK | 124 | 131 | 134 | 165 | 211 | SLO | C24 | L | R |
| John Wojcik #17 | .186 | 2 | | - | - | - | 211 | 215 | AAR | OF17(LF/RF/CF) | L | R |
| Tony La Russa #29 | .250 | 0 | PK | - | 115 | 124 | 236 | 236 | AAR | LD PR, SS14, 2B3 | R | R |
| Dick Howser #1 | + .195 | 0 | MK | - | - | - | 216 | 216 | AAR | SS10, PH, PR | R | R |
| Dick Green #8 | .270 | 0 | PK | 116 | - | 136 | 245 | 244 | AR | SS6, 2B4 | R | R |
| Sammy Esposito #1 | X .200 | 0 | | - | - | 123 | 222 | 221 | AR | 2B7, PR, SS4, 3B3 | R | R |
| Tommie Reynolds #9 | .053 | 0 | PK | - | - | 125 | 132 | 125 | AR | OF5(LF), PH | R | R |
| Dave Wickersham | .138 | 0 | MW PK | - | - | - | 163 | 155 | SLO | P38 | R | R |
| Orlando Pena | .145 | 0 | PK | 113 | - | - | 162 | 161 | SLO | P35 | R | R |
| "Moe" Drabowsky | .161 | 0 | PK | 121 | - | 135 | 212 | 164 | SLO | P26 | R | R |
| Ed Rakow | .105 | 0 | PK | - | - | 114 | 151 | 144 | SLO | P34 | B | R |
| Diego Segui | .218 | 0 | MW PK | - | 114 | - | 225 | 225 | SLO | P38 | R | R |
| Pitcher R | .110 | - | MW PK | 111 | - | 113 | 153 | 145 | SLO | | | |
| Pitcher L | .110 | - | MW PK | 111 | - | 113 | 145 | 146 | SLO | | | |

| | ERA | IP | W | K | G | GS | SV | | | |
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| Dave Wickersham #26 | 4.09 | 238 | 133 | 624 | 38 | 34 | 1 | .138 | R | R |
| Orlando Pena #19 | 3.69 | 217 | 125 | 615 | 35 | 33 | 0 | .145 | R | R |
| "Moe" Drabowsky #25 | 3.05 | 174 | 135 | 611 | 26 | 22 | 0 | .161 | R | R Myron Walter |
| Ed Rakow #21 | 3.92 | 174 | 134 | 615 | 34 | 26 | 0 | .105 | B | R "Rock" (last name pronounced ROCK-oh) |
| Diego Segui #23 | 3.77 | 167 | 141 | 566 | 38 | 23 | 0 | .218 | R | R |
| Ted Bowsfield #43 | 4.45 | 111 | 136 | 615 | 41 | 11 | 3 | .043 | R | L |
| Bill Fischer #28 | 3.57 | 96 | 132 | 635 | 45 | 2 | 3 | .067 | R | R |
| Johnny Wyatt #33 | 3.13 | 92 | 143 | 546 | 63 | 0 | 21 | .000 | R | R |
| Tom Sturdivant #18 #20 * | 3.74 | 53 | 133 | 624 | 17 | 3 | 0 | .000 | L | R "Smoke" "Snake" |
| Dale Willis #20 #24 | 5.04 | 45 | 146 | 535 | 25 | 0 | 1 | .167 | R | R |
| Dave Thies #25 | 4.62 | 25 | 143 | 636 | 9 | 2 | 0 | .333 | R | R (last name pronounced TEEZ) |
| Pete Lovrich #32 | 7.84 | 21 | 142 | 564 | 20 | 1 | 0 | .000 | R | R |
| Dan Pfister #27 | 1.93 | 9 | 133 | 535 | 3 | 1 | 0 | .000 | R | R |
| Norm Bass #22 | 11.74 | 8 | 166 | 626 | 3 | 1 | 0 | .000 | R | R |
| Jose Santiago #22 | 9.00 | 7 | 131 | 554 | 4 | 0 | 0 | .000 | R | R |
| Aurelio Monteagudo #31 | 2.57 | 7 | 143 | 625 | 4 | 0 | 0 | .000 | R | R (last name pronounced mon-tee-ah-GOO-doe) |

Charles O. Finley bought the Kansas City franchise from the Arnold Johnson family in 1960. (Finley had also made an unsuccessful attempt to buy the A's from the Connie Mack family in 1954.) Charlie made a lot of CHANGES, let's say: He introduced the soon-to-be trademark of the team, the gold, green, and white colors in '63. (The uniform ensemble included a sleeveless-vest jersey but no white shoes until 1967.) He abandoned the Philadelphia Athletics long-standing mascot, a white elephant, for a mule he named "Charlie O." The mule would appear on the field before games, at cocktail parties, in hotel lobbies, and the press level to harass reporters. "Charlie O." passed away at 20 years of age in 1976. Finley also refused to make trades with the Yankees. It had been an inside-baseball joke since the team moved to K. C. that the A's were in reality a Yankee farm team; the two ball clubs regularly seemed to make trades much to the Yanks advantage... **Team Leaders:** Norm Siebern (16 homers, 83 RBI); Ed Charles (15 home runs, 79 RBI); Charles and Jerry Lumpe (both 161 base hits); Charles (82 runs scored); pitchers Dave Wickersham and Orlando Pena (both 12 wins); Pena (128 strikeouts). The pitching staff posted 35 complete games and a 3.92 ERA, the latter eighth in the A. L...At the plate, the A's hit .247 (8th) and 98 homers (9th) for the year...Early on, the team actually spent ten straight days alone or tied for first place. By the All Star break, they were eighth, 14 ½ games out...The A's were not very good and the attendance at Municipal Stadium showed: Just over 762,000 (you guessed it!), eighth out of ten teams.