




ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

GAME NOTES  WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2022



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AFL Standings

W-L GB

Surprise Saguaros	14-10	—
Scottsdale Scorpions	12-12-1	2.0
Glendale Desert Dogs	11-11-2	2.0
Mesa Solar Sox	11-12-2	2.5
Peoria Javelinas	11-12-1	2.5
Salt River Rafters	11-13	3.0

Today's Games

Salt River @ Peoria

Peoria Sports Complex - 12:35 p.m.

Salt River

RHP Anders Tolhurst (TOR)
1-1, 1.74 ERA

Peoria

RHP Bryan Woo (SEA)
1-0, 1.17 ERA

Glendale @ Surprise

Surprise Stadium - 6:35 p.m.

Glendale

RHP Chase Solesky (CWS)
0-1, 6.75 ERA

Surprise

RHP Rhett Kouba (HOU)
2-0, 7.84 ERA

Off Day:

Mesa Solar Sox
Scottsdale Scorpions



Today's Headlines

Tyler Hardman (NYY) went 3-for-5 with the Mesa Solar Sox on Tuesday, hitting his third home run of the AFL season. The infielder now holds a batting slash of .333/.382/.587, while his .969 OPS ranks eighth in the Fall League among qualified players.

Emmet Sheehan (LAD) tossed five scoreless innings for the Glendale Desert Dogs on Tuesday, allowing two hits and striking out four. Sheehan has pitched 15 1/3 innings this season, the ninth-most in the AFL, and currently holds a 4.70 ERA with 14 strikeouts.

Reed Trimble (BAL) drove in three runs for the Scottsdale Scorpions on Tuesday night, going 2-for-4 with a double. His production proved decisive in a 7-6 win over the Mesa Solar Sox, and he is now a combined 3-for-7 in his last two AFL games.

Efrain Contreras (SD) pitched five innings for the Peoria Javelinas on Tuesday, allowing one run while posting a 0.80 WHIP on the day. Contreras now holds a 2.45 ERA and 0.93 WHIP in a combined 18 1/3 innings, the sixth-most in the Fall League.

Nolan Hoffman (BAL) tossed a perfect inning out of the Mesa Solar Sox bullpen on Tuesday, striking out the side and earning a hold. The right-hander has allowed one run in his last five appearances (4 2/3 IP) and has collected 14 strikeouts in 10 1/3 total innings.

Three games separate all six teams in the AFL standings with six regular-season game days remaining. At this point last year, eight games separated the league's best and worst record.

Weekly Batting Practice Schedule

Team	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa	Su
Glendale	Off	-	X	X	-	Home Run Derby	Fall Stars Game
Peoria	Off	X	X	X	-		
Salt River	X	Off	-	X	TBD		
Surprise	X	Off	X	X	TBD		
Scottsdale	X	-	Off	X	-		
Mesa	X	-	Off	X	-		

12:35 p.m. - Home Infield: 9:10 a.m., Home BP: 9:25 a.m., Visitor BP: 10:40 a.m., Visitor Infield: 11:40 a.m.

6:35 p.m. - Home Infield: 3:10 p.m., Home BP: 3:25 p.m., Visitor BP: 4:40 p.m., Visitor Infield: 5:40 p.m.

Note: Batting practice in AFL Week 5 (Oct. 31 - Nov. 4) is required on Monday and Thursday. Schedule is subject to change.

Upcoming Games and Probable Starters

Thursday, October 3

Surprise @ Glendale	12:35 p.m.	Colton Gordon (HOU) vs. Russell Smith (MIL)
Scottsdale @ Peoria	12:35 p.m.	Allan Winans (ATL) vs. TBD
Salt River @ Mesa	6:35 p.m.	Hunter Gregory (TOR) vs. Colin Peluse (OAK)

Friday, October 4

Mesa @ Peoria	12:35 p.m.	J.T. Ginn (OAK) vs. TBD
Salt River @ Surprise	12:35 p.m.	Chad Patrick (ARI) vs. TBD
Glendale @ Scottsdale	6:35 p.m.	TBD vs. Carson Whisenhunt (SF)

AFL Fall Stars Weekend - Schedule of Events



**USA Baseball
Regional Coaches Clinic**
Nov. 5-6 - Sloan Park



**Play Ball
Free Kids Event**
Nov. 5 - Sloan Park



**Arizona Fall League
Home Run Derby**
Nov. 5 - Sloan Park



**Arizona Fall League
Fall Stars Game**
Nov. 6 - Sloan Park

Arizona Fall League Alumni Spotlight

Brandon Marsh (Mesa Solar Sox, 2019) went 2-for-3 with a home run on Tuesday night for the Philadelphia Phillies, helping lead his team over the Houston Astros in Game 3 of the 2022 World Series. The outfielder was a second-round selection in the 2016 MLB Draft and made his way to the Fall League in his fourth year as a professional, posting a .909 OPS in 19 AFL games. Marsh made his MLB debut with the Los Angeles Angels in 2021 and has played 204 regular-season games between the Angels and Phillies. This postseason he has hit two home runs and posted five RBI.

AFL Player Notebook

Glendale Desert Dogs

MLB affiliates: CWS, LAD, CIN, MIN, MIL

#45 Francis Peguero - Minnesota Twins

Pitched 23 innings in 2022 between Double-A Wichita (18 2/3 IP) and the Florida Complex League (4 1/3), posting a combined 6.65 ERA with 18 strikeouts. Traded from the Reds to the Twins in 2022 in a deal that also sent RHP Sonny Gray to Minnesota.

#38 Vinny Timpanelli - Cincinnati Reds

Pitched 47 2/3 innings in 2022 between High-A Dayton and Double-A Chattanooga, posting a combined 5.10 ERA with 79 strikeouts. Played collegiately at Ramapo College (NJ) and St. Thomas Aquinas College (NY). Born in Staten Island, New York. Holds a career 4.06 ERA in the Minors (93 IP).

Today's Starting Pitcher

#41 Chase Solesky - Chicago White Sox

Selected in the 21st round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of Tulane University. Pitched 116 1/3 innings in 2022 between High-A Winston Salem (110 1/3) and Double-A Birmingham (6), recording a combined 4.10 ERA with 88 strikeouts. Born in Fort Pierce, Florida.

Mesa Solar Sox

MLB affiliates: CHC, OAK, MIA, NYY, TB

#29 Chandler Jozwiak - Miami Marlins

Selected in the 13th round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Texas A&M. Pitched a combined 57 1/3 innings in 2022 between Single-A Jupiter (13 1/3 IP), High-A Beloit (34) and Double-A Pensacola (10), posting a combined 2.35 ERA. Holds a career 2.84 ERA in the Minors (66 2/3 IP).

#51 Zac Leigh - Chicago Cubs

Selected in the 16th round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Texas State. Pitched 34 2/3 innings in 2022 between High-A South Bend (23 IP) and Double-A Tennessee (11 2/3), posting a combined 2.86 ERA with 53 strikeouts. Born in Kingwood, Texas. Career 2.49 ERA in the Minors (43 1/3 IP).

#27 Matt Mervis - Chicago Cubs

Played 137 games in 2022 between High-A South Bend (27 G), Double-A Tennessee (53) and Triple-A Iowa (57), posting a combined slash of .309/.379/.606 with 36 home runs. Selected in the 39th round of the 2016 MLB Draft out of Georgetown Preparatory School (MD).



AFL Player Notebook

Peoria Javelinas

MLB affiliates: SD, SEA, CLE, NYM, WAS

#12 Tirso Ornelas - San Diego Padres

Played 115 games in 2022 between Double-A San Antonio (112) and Triple-A El Paso (3), posting a combined .286/.353/.404 slash. Played 60 games in the Mexican Pacific Winter League in 2021-22. Made his organizational debut with the Padres at 17 years old (2017).

#33 Declan Cronin - Chicago White Sox

Selected in the 36th round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of Holy Cross. Pitched 51 innings in 2022 between Double-A Birmingham (28 IP) and Triple-A Charlotte (23), posting a combined 3.71 ERA with 36 strikeouts. Career ERA of 3.80 in the Minors (132 2/3 IP). Born in Glen Ridge, New Jersey.

Today's Starting Pitcher

#35 Bryan Woo - Seattle Mariners

Selected in the sixth round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Cal Poly. Pitched primarily with High-A Everett in 2022, posting a 4.78 ERA with 46 strikeouts in seven total starts (32 IP). Named Northwest League Pitcher of the Week for the week of August 21. Born in Oakland, California.

Surprise Saguaros

MLB affiliates: KC, TEX, HOU, PHI, PIT

#34 Henry Davis - Pittsburgh Pirates

First-overall selection in the 2021 MLB Draft out of the University of Louisville. Played 59 games in 2022 between Double-A Altoona (31 games), High-A Greensboro (22), Single-A Bradenton (5) and the Florida Complex League (1). Helped lead Louisville to the College World Series in 2019.

#4 Will Wagner - Houston Astros

Selected in the 18th round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Liberty University. Played 117 games in 2022 between High-A Asheville (45 games) and Double-A Corpus Christi (72), posting a combined .261/.374/.394 slash. Career .780 OPS in the Minors (148 games). Born in Houston, Texas.

Today's Starting Pitcher

#00 Rhett Kouba - Houston Astros

Selected in the 12th round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Dallas Baptist University. Pitched 70 2/3 innings in 2022 between Single-A Fayetteville (15 IP) and High-A Asheville (55 2/3) posting a combined 4.08 ERA with 85 strikeouts. Born in Woodward, Oklahoma.

Salt River Rafters

MLB affiliates: ARI, COL, DET, STL, TOR

#22 Jack Anderson - Detroit Tigers

Selected in the 16th round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Florida State. Pitched in 33 career games with the Seminoles (30 relief appearances), posting a combined 2.75 ERA from 2019-2021. Held a 3.47 ERA in 2022 between Single-A Lakeland (38 2/3 IP) and High-A West Michigan (21 IP).

#19 Kyle Backhus - Arizona Diamondbacks

Pitched 52 1/3 innings in 2022 between Double-A Amarillo (13 1/3 IP) and High-A Hillsboro (39), posting a combined 3.27 ERA with 78 strikeouts. Played five collegiate seasons at Sam Houston State University. Holds a career 3.68 ERA in the Minors (78 1/3 IP).

Today's Starting Pitcher

#34 Anders Tolhurst - Toronto Blue Jays

Pitched 12 1/3 innings in 2022 between Single-A Dunedin and the Florida Complex League, recording a combined 3.65 ERA with 20 strikeouts. Selected in the 23rd round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of Grossmont College (CA). Born in Santee, California.

Scottsdale Scorpions

MLB affiliates: SF, LAA, BAL, BOS, ATL

#7 Nick Yorke - Boston Red Sox

Played exclusively with High-A Greenville in 2022, posting a .232/.303/.365 slash in 80 games. 17th-overall selection in the 2020 MLB Draft out of Archbishop Mitty High School (CA). Career .807 OPS in 177 Minor League games. Born in Newport Beach, California.

#37 Nolan Hoffman - Baltimore Orioles

Selected by the Mariners in the fifth round of the 2018 MLB Draft out of Texas A&M. Acquired by the Orioles in the 2021 Rule 5 Draft. Pitched 23 1/3 innings in 2022 between Double-A Bowie (23 1/3), High-A Aberdeen (2) and the Florida Complex League, posting a combined 3.62 ERA.

#3 César Prieto - Baltimore Orioles

Played 115 games in 2022 between High-A Aberdeen (25) and Double-A Bowie (90), posting a combined .273/.314/.404 batting slash. Played four seasons in the Cuban National Series before debuting in the Orioles organization this year at 23 years old. Born in Cienfuegos, Cuba.

Upcoming Special Events



Saturday, November 5
Sloan Park



Sunday, November 6
Sloan Park



Friday, November 11
Peoria Sports Complex



Saturday, November 12
Scottsdale Stadium

Arizona Fall League
c/o Salt River Fields
7555 North Pima Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85258

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