

ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

GAME NOTES - WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2024



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AFL Standings	W-L	GB	Streak
Surprise Saguaros	15-7	--	W1
Salt River Rafter	14-10	2.0	W3
Glendale Desert Dogs	13-11	3.0	L1
Mesa Solar Sox	12-12	4.0	L4
Scottsdale Scorpions	10-14	6.0	W1
Peoria Javelinas	6-16	9.0	W1

Yesterday's Scores

Peoria 3, Surprise 3 (F/10)
Glendale 5, Scottsdale 3 (F/7)
Scottsdale 6, Glendale 0 (F/7)
Salt River 13, Mesa 11

Yesterday's Top Performers

Hitting

Mac Horvath (Mesa; TB): 4-for-4, 2B, BB, 3 RBI, 2 SB
Ben Ross (Salt River; MIN): 4-for-5, 3 1B, 2 RBI, 3 R
Creed Willems (Surprise; BAL): 3-for-5, HR, 2 RBI, 2 R
Juan Guerrero (Salt River; COL): 2-for-4, HR, 3 RBI, 2 R
Skyler Messinger (Salt River; COL): 2-for-5, 2B, 3 RBI
Ethan Salas (Peoria; SD): 1-for-5, game-tying 2-run HR
Jonathan Long (Mesa; CHI): 2-for-2, 2 1B, 2 BB, 2 RBI, 4 R
Otto Kemp (Glendale; PHI): 1-for-4, Grand Slam, 4 RBI
Caden Rose (Mesa; BOS): 1-for-5, Grand Slam, BB, 5 RBI

Pitching

Christian McGowan (Glendale; PHI): 5 IP, ER, 4 K, 2 BB, Win
Alex Santos (Surprise; HOU): 3 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 4 K, 0 BB
Andrew Painter (Glendale; PHI): 3 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 2 K, BB
Dylan Ray (Salt River; ARI): 2.2 IP, ER, 7 K, 0 BB
Pat Monteverde (Peoria; MIA): 4 IP, 2 ER, 2 K, 2 BB

Players of the Week Tracker

Week 1:

Co-Hitter: **Kemp Alderman** (Peoria; MIA)
Co-Hitter: **Colt Emerson** (Peoria; SEA)
Pitcher: **Connor Phillips** (Glendale; CIN)

Week 2:

Hitter: **Josue Briceño** (Scottsdale; DET)
Pitcher: **Alex Santos II** (Surprise; HOU)

Week 3:

Hitter: **Caleb Durbin** (Salt River; NYY)
Pitcher: **Jose Acuña** (Glendale; CIN)

Week 4:

Hitter: **Nick Kurtz** (Mesa; ATH)
Co-Pitcher: **Leandro Lopez** (Surprise; TEX)
Co-Pitcher: **Josh Stephan** (Surprise; TEX)

MLB Pipeline Top 100 Prospects in AFL (12)

17. Jac Caglianone - 1B/LHP, Surprise Saguaros (KC)
19. Ethan Salas - C, Peoria Javelinas (SD)
27. Colt Emerson - SS, Peoria Javelinas (SEA)
28. Leodalis De Vries - SS, Peoria Javelinas (SD)
32. Andrew Painter - RHP, Glendale Desert Dogs (PHI)
36. Xavier Isaac - 1B, Mesa Solar Sox (TB)
41. Chase DeLauter - OF, Surprise Saguaros (CLE)
44. Moises Ballesteros - C/1B, Mesa Solar Sox (CHI)
45. Nick Kurtz - 1B, Mesa Solar Sox (OAK)
52. Jett Williams - SS/OF, Scottsdale Scorpions (NYM)
65. Edwin Arroyo - SS, Glendale Desert Dogs (CIN)
74. Drew Gilbert - OF, Scottsdale Scorpions (NYM)

Arizona Fall League Headlines

The Arizona Fall League, in its 32nd year, is designed to serve as the "finishing school" of the minor leagues for players, coaches, umpires & aspiring employees.

Upcoming Fall Stars Weekend Details

The AFL The Home Run Derby, Fall Stars Game, and Play Ball event will all be hosted at Sloan Park in Mesa, the Spring Training home of the Chicago Cubs, from November 8-9.

HOME RUN DERBY: Friday, November 8 at 6:30 pm

- Eight of the AFL's best sluggers will square off in the Home Run Derby with a chance to take home some hardware. **The event will be streamed live on MLB.com.** Twins prospect Kala'i Rosario (2023) and Mariners prospect Robert Perez Jr. (2022) won the last two years.

PLAY BALL EVENT: Saturday, November 9, at 9:00 am

- Join the AFL's "Fall Stars" for a special youth Play Ball event for kids ages 5-10. All participants will receive a free PLAY BALL T-shirt and a bat/ball set to take home! No prior baseball or softball experience is required. **Visit www.PLAYBALL.org/events to reserve your child's spot now, and day-of registration opens at 8:30 am.**

FALL STARS GAME: Saturday, November 9 at 6:00 pm

- The AFL's best crop of prospects from all 30 organizations will take the field with a National League vs. American League format, just like Major League Baseball's annual All-Star Game. **The game will be broadcast LIVE on MLB Network, with streaming available on MLB.com and the MLB app.** Last season, the AL defeated the NL, 6-3, and White Sox prospect Colson Montgomery was the game's MVP.

Week 4 Players of the Week (10/28-11/3)

Hitter: Nick Kurtz

Kurtz went 8-for-15 with three extra-base hits and eight RBI in four games last week for Mesa, posting a .533/.650/.933 slash line, while reaching base safely in 13 of 20 plate appearances.

Co-Pitchers: Leandro Lopez & Josh Stephan

Lopez and Stephan combined for seven no-hit innings and 12 strikeouts in Surprise's road win over Peoria last Friday. Lopez started, had seven strikeouts in three innings, and earned the win, and Stephan collected five strikeouts in four innings of relief.

Today's Notes & Storylines

- The AFL has announced the eight participants for the Home Run Derby on Friday night:** Moises Ballesteros (CHI), Josue Briceño (DET), Jac Caglianone (KC), Carter Jensen (KC), Garrett Martin (NYY), Kala'i Rosario (MIN), Brock Wilken (MIL), and Peyton Williams (TOR).
- Salt River Rafter infielder and New York Yankees prospect **Caleb Durbin (22 SB) is three stolen bases away from setting the new all-time single-season AFL record.** Rick Holifield, who had 24 SB for Peoria in 1994, is the current record-holder.

Upcoming Games & Probable Pitchers

Wednesday, November 6

Mesa @ Salt River (1:30) RHP Grant Kipp (CHI) vs. RHP Chase Solesky (WSH)
Surprise @ Glendale (1:30) RHP Zak Kent (CLE) vs. RHP Jose Acuna (CIN)
Peoria @ Scottsdale (6:30) RHP Brandon White (MIA) vs. LHP Jake Miller (DET)

Thursday, November 7

Salt River @ Peoria (1:30) RHP Gabriel Hughes (COL) vs. RHP Ryan Bergert (SD)
Glendale @ Surprise (6:30) RHP Grant Taylor (CWS) vs. RHP Josh Stephan (TEX)
Mesa @ Scottsdale (6:30) LHP TJ Fondtain (TB) vs. RHP Elijah Pleasants (SF)

Friday, November 8 - HOME RUN DERBY

AFL HOME RUN DERBY
6:30 pm | Sloan Park | Mesa, AZ

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