



ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

GAME NOTES - MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023



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AFL Standings	W-L	GB	Streak
Glendale Desert Dogs	0-0	0	N/A
Peoria Javelinas	0-0	0	N/A
Salt River Rafters	0-0	0	N/A
Surprise Saguaros	0-0	0	N/A
Scottsdale Scorpions	0-0	0	N/A
Mesa Solar Sox	0-0	0	N/A

#10Things (Twitter-Friendly Notes)

- #AFL23 features 10 MLB Pipeline Top 100 prospects, led by No. 17 Colson Montgomery (SS/Glendale/White Sox). The Detroit Tigers and Cleveland Guardians each sent two Top 100 prospects.
- Two of the #AFL23's Top 100 prospects are pitchers. No. 31 Ricky Tiedemann (LHP/Surprise/Blue Jays) will start Tuesday, while No. 54 Jackson Jobe (RHP/Salt River/Tigers) has not had his first start announced.
- A new wrinkle in #AFL23 roster construction is that 30 MLB Clubs have sent an additional pitcher, bringing each the total to 30 per AFL team.
- In 2023, 34 players AFL alumni from 2022 made their Major League debuts, including reigning MVP Heston Kjerstad (BAL).
- Victor Scott (OF/Surprise/St. Louis) tied for the MiLB lead in 2023 with 94 stolen bases.
- Jacob Berry (3B/Peoria/Marlins) is a Scottsdale native and his dad serves as Superintendent of Queen Creek HS.
- In other local news, Fitz Stadler (RHP/Surprise/Blue Jays) is the only Sun Devil Baseball alumni on the #AFL23 Opening Day roster.
- Harry Ford's (C/Peoria/Mariners) #AFL23 debut will be slightly delayed after he represented Great Britain in the Czech Republic, taking Silver at the European Baseball Championship.
- Carlos Cardoza (Surprise/Rangers) returns to the Saguaros as the Manager in #AFL23. In 2022, he was an extra coach on the championship Surprise team.
- Iggy Suarez (Glendale/Red Sox) is fresh off a championship run as the Manager of the Greenville Drive.

MLB Pipeline Top 100 Prospects

- 17. Colson Montgomery - SS, Glendale Desert Dogs (CHW)
- 19. Carson Williams - SS, Peoria Javelinas (TB)
- 31. Ricky Tiedemann - LHP, Surprise Saguaros (TOR)
- 39. Harry Ford - C, Peoria Javelinas (SEA)
- 54. Jackson Jobe - RHP, Salt River Rafters (DET)
- 58. Kyle Manzardo - 1B, Peoria Javelinas (CLE)
- 67. Jace Jung - 2B, Salt River Rafters (DET)
- 71. Kevin Alcántara - OF, Mesa Solar Sox (CHC)
- 85. Chase DeLauter - OF, Peoria Javelinas (CLE)
- 89. Kevin Parada - C, Glendale Desert Dogs (NYM)

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Today's Headlines

The Arizona Fall League returns for its 30th playing season tonight. Welcoming hundreds of top Minor League prospects, the Arizona Fall League serves as the finishing school for players to reach the Major League level.

The AFL's highest ranked prospect, No. 17 Colson Montgomery slashed .287/.455/.939 in 2023, with eight home runs and 37 RBI across three levels of MiLB. He saw the most action in Birmingham (AA) with 37 games played. No. 19 Carson Williams has also been on the rise in the Rays organization, slugging 21 doubles, 23 home runs and 81 RBI in 2023.

The AFL's six coaching staffs are managed by the following individuals, all with previous managerial experience at the professional or college levels: Iggy Suarez (Glendale; Boston Red Sox), Morgan Ensberg (Peoria; Tampa Bay Rays), Carlos Cardoza (Surprise; Texas Rangers), James Cooper (Mesa; New York Yankees), Javier Colina (Salt River; Arizona Diamondbacks) and Marty Malloy (Scottsdale; Philadelphia Phillies).

Suarez (Greenville Drive), Ensberg (Montgomery Biscuits), Cardoza (Frisco Roughriders) and Malloy (Clearwater Thrashers) all served as Minor League Managers in 2023. Additionally, Cardoza returns for his second year in the Fall League, having served as an Extra Coach during the Saguaros' 2022 AFL Championship run.

No. 54 Jackson Jobe makes his AFL debut on the mound with the Salt River Rafters tonight. Jobe tossed 64 innings across four levels of Minor League Baseball in 2023 with a 2.81 ERA and 84 strikeouts to just six walks. He started the year in the Florida Complex League and finished by making one start at Erie (AA) where he pitched six innings of shutout, four-hit baseball.

Upcoming Games and Probable Pitchers

Monday, October 2

Glendale @ Salt River	6:30	LHP Zach Penrod vs. RHP Jackson Jobe
Peoria @ Scottsdale	6:30	RHP Braden Nett vs. LHP Jack Choate
Mesa @ Surprise	6:30	RHP Royber Salinas vs RHP Zak Kent

Tuesday, October 3

Mesa @ Salt River	6:30	RHP Pete Van Loon vs. RHP Dylan Smith
Glendale @ Scorpions	6:30	LHP Jake Eder vs. RHP Tekaoh Roby
Peoria @ Surprise	6:30	RHP Logan Workman vs LHP Ricky Tiedemann

Wednesday, October 4

Scottsdale @ Salt River	2:30	LHP DJ Herz vs. LHP Blake Walston
Surprise @ Glendale	6:30	RHP Eric Cerantola vs. RHP Kendall Williams
Peoria @ Solar Sox	6:30	RHP Ike Buxton vs. RHP Nick Hull

Weekly Batting Practice & Infield/Outfield

Tuesdays and Fridays are the current mandatory batting practice and I/O days. The schedule is below.

2:30 - Home I/O: 10:45 a.m., Home BP: 11:10 a.m., Visitor BP: 12:25 p.m., Visitor I/O: 1:35 p.m.
6:30 - Home I/O 2:45 p.m., Home BP: 3:10 p.m., Visitor BP: 4:25 p.m., Visitor I/O: 5:35 p.m.