



Arizona Fall League Game Notes - Tuesday, October 19, 2021

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AFL Standings

East Division

GB

Salt River	4-1	—
Mesa	2-3	2
Scottsdale	2-3	2

West Division

GB

Glendale	4-1	—
Surprise	3-2	1
Peoria	0-5	4

Today's Games

SALT RIVER @ PEORIA

Salt River

RHP Justin Jarvis (MIL)
0-0, 0.00 ERA

Peoria

RHP Michael Burrows (PIT)
0-0, 13.50 ERA

SCOTTSDALE @ GLENDALE

Scottsdale

RHP Connor Seabold (BOS)
0-1, 11.57 ERA

Glendale

RHP Johan Dominguez (CWS)
1-0, 4.50 ERA

Off day:

Mesa Solar Sox
Surprise Saguaros

Batting Practice Schedule - Through 10/23

Team	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
Surprise	X	off	X	X	TBD	TBD
Peoria	X	-	X	X	-	X
Glendale	X	-	-	X	TBD	TBD
Salt River	X	-	-	X	TBD	TBD
Scottsdale	X	X	X	X	X	X
Mesa	X	off	X	X	X	X

12:35 p.m. - HINF: 9:10 a.m., HBP: 9:25 a.m., VBP: 10:40 a.m., VIN: 11:40 a.m.

6:35 p.m. - HINF: 3:10 p.m., HBP: 3:25 p.m., VBP: 4:40 p.m., VIN: 5:40 p.m.

Teams are REQUIRED to take batting practice and infield every Monday and Thursday

Fall League Alum of the Day

Max Scherzer (Scottsdale Scorpions, 2007; Phoenix Desert Dogs, 2008) pitched a total of 36 2/3 innings in the Arizona Fall League. The 11th overall selection in the 2006 MLB Draft out of the University of Missouri made his Fall League debut in his second season as a professional. Scherzer has since gone on to collect three Cy Young Awards, eight All-Star selections, and a World Series Championship with the 2019 Washington Nationals. The ace pitcher is one of 19 pitchers in MLB history to record 3,000 strikeouts. Scherzer recorded his first career MLB save last Thursday, pushing his Los Angeles Dodgers past the rival San Francisco Giants in Game 5 of the NLDS.

Upcoming Games and Probable Starters

Wednesday, October 20

Surprise @ Salt River	12:35 p.m. RHP Zach Haake vs RHP Garrison Bryant
Mesa @ Scottsdale	12:35 p.m. RHP Evan Fitterer vs LHP Kody Funderburk
Peoria @ Glendale	6:35 p.m. LHP MacKenzie Gore vs RHP Jordan Hicks

Thursday, October 21

Scottsdale @ Surprise	12:35 p.m. LHP Tanner Tully vs. TBD
Glendale @ Salt River	6:35 p.m. RHP Landon Knack vs. RHP Wilmer Flores
Mesa @ Peoria	6:35 p.m. RHP Ryan Jensen vs. RHP Stephen Woods Jr.

AFL Player Notebook

Peoria

#60 Hans Crouse (PHI) - Second-round draft selection in 2017 out of Dana Hills High School (CA). Originally selected by the Texas Rangers and was traded to the Phillies in 2021 in a six-player deal that included big leaguers Kyle Gibson and Ian Kennedy. Made his MLB debut on September 26 against the Pirates, tossing three innings of one-run baseball. Pitched a total of seven innings for the Phillies in 2021, allowing four runs. 51 innings in 2021 with Double-A Frisco, posting a 3.35 ERA.

#54 Juan Then (SEA) - Currently on the Seattle Mariners' 40-man roster. International sign by the Mariners out of San Francisco de Macoris, Dominican Republic. Made his professional debut at 17 years old. Pitched exclusively for High-A Everett in 2021, posting a 6.46 ERA in 54.1 innings. Pitched 48.1 innings in 2019 between High-A, Low-A and the Mariners' rookie-league affiliate, posting a combined 2.98 ERA. 205 strikeouts in 214 professional innings.

#10 Ji-Hwan Bae (PIT) - MLB Pipeline's 22nd-ranked Pirates prospect. Signed with the Atlanta Braves in September 2017 but deal was voided due to Atlanta international signing violations. Signed with Pittsburgh shortly after for a \$1.25 million signing bonus. Played in 83 games for Double-A Altoona in 2021, posting a .278/.359/.413 slash.

#26 Logan O'Hoppe (PHI) - MLB Pipeline's 11th-ranked Phillies prospect. Drafted in the 23rd round of the 2018 draft out of St. Johns The Baptist High School (NY). Played in 85 games for High-A Jersey Shore in 2021, posting a .270/.335/.459 slash with 13 home runs. Played winter ball in 2019-20 with the Adelaide Giants of the Australian Baseball League, posting a .258/.389/.483 slash.

Salt River

#10 Ezequiel Tovar (COL) - Made his professional debut with the Rockies at the age of 16 in the Dominican Summer League. Played in 104 games between Low-A Fresno and High-A Spokane in 2021, posting a combined .287/.322/.475 slash in 432 combined at-bats. Hit 15 home runs in 2021 with 24 stolen bases. Started his Fall League campaign going 3-for-13 with three singles.

#67 Ken Knutson (Pitching Coach, NYM) - 30+ years of professional and NCAA Division I coaching experience. Spent 17 years as the head baseball coach at the University of Washington and five years as the pitching coach at Arizona State. Began coaching with the Mets in the summer of 2021 after working as a throwing development coach for Cleveland from 2015-2020. Works for the Arizona Pitching Arsenal as a throwing instructor.

#1 Carlos Cortes (NYM) - Third-round selection by the Mets in the 2018 draft. Began his 2021 Fall League campaign going 3-for-4 with a triple. Played 79 minor league games in 2021, all with Double-A Binghamton, posting a .257/.332/.487 slash. Played two seasons at the University of South Carolina, posting a career .274/.378/.528 slash. MLB Pipeline's 10th-ranked Mets prospect.

#31 Mitchell Stumpo (ARI) - Played 36 total games across four affiliates in 2021. Signed with the Diamondbacks as an undrafted free agent in 2019. Posted a 2.63 ERA in 51.1 minor league innings in 2021; worked a 2.59 ERA in 24.1 innings with Double-A Amarillo. Promoted to Triple-A Albuquerque at the end of the 2021 season, tossing six innings and allowing one run. Pitched at Division-III Guilford College in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Mesa

#6 Andy Weber (CHC) - Fifth-round selection of the 2018 draft out of the University of Virginia. 139 at-bats in 2021 between Double-A Tennessee and the Cubs' complex league affiliate. .214/.302/.321 career slash in Double-A. Played two summers with the Thunder Bay Border Cats (Ontario, Canada) in the collegiate summer Northwoods League.

#48 Cameron Bishop (BAL) - 26th-round draftee in the 2017 draft out of UC Irvine. Pitched 48.1 innings with Double-A Bowie in 2021, posting a 3.17 ERA with 54 strikeouts. Played exclusively with Low-A Delmarva in 2018 and exclusively with High-A Frederick in 2019. Pitched 11 innings in the Cape Cod Baseball League in 2017, allowing one run.

#7 Logan Davidson (OAK) - 29th overall selection of the 2019 draft out of Clemson. Started his 2021 fall campaign going 2-for-5 with two doubles. Played exclusively for Double-A Midland during the 2021 season (119 games) posting a .212/.307/.313 slash. Member of the A's 60-man player pool in 2020. 12th-ranked A's prospect according to MLB Pipeline with an estimated big league ETA in 2022.

#16 Ryan Jensen (TOR) - First-round selection by the Blue Jays in the 2019 draft. MLB Pipeline's 15th-ranked Cubs prospect. 70-grade fastball per MLB Pipeline. Played three years at Fresno State, posting a 2.88 ERA in an even 100 innings during his junior season. Made 16 starts with High-A South Bend in 2021, posting a 4.50 ERA. Made four starts with Double-A Tennessee in 2021, posting a 3.00 ERA.

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Scottsdale

#23 Michael Helman (MIN) - Played one season at Texas A&M before being drafted in the 11th round of the 2018 draft. Played exclusively in 2021 with High-A Cedar Rapids, posting a .246/.336/.462 slash in 398 at-bats. 26 career minor league home runs in 829 at-bats. Started the 2021 Fall League going 3-for-6 with a double. 21 stolen bases in 2021 with High-A Cedar Rapids.

#11 Matt Dyer (TB) - Fourth-round selection in the 2020 draft out of the University of Arizona. Played two season in Tucson after transferring from the University of Oregon in his freshman season. Did not play NCAA baseball in 2018 due to transfer eligibility but played 28 summer games with Yarmouth-Dennis in the Cape Cod Baseball League. Played 63 total games in 2021 between Low-A St. Lucie and Low-A Charleston. Traded in 2021 from the Mets to the Rays as part of a trade that sent Rich Hill to the Mets.

#15 Patrick Bailey (SF) - 13th-overall pick of the 2020 draft out of NC State. Posted a collegiate .296/.466/.685 slash for NC State in 2020 before the COVID-19 shutdown. 55-grade arm according to MLB Pipeline. Played 47 games with Low-A San Jose in 2021 and posted a .322/.415/.531 slash in Low-A. Promoted to High-A Eugene for 33 games and won a High-A West championship. Began the 2021 Fall League going 1-for-3 with a double.

#40 Damon Cassetta-Stubbs (CLE) - Traded from Seattle to Cleveland in July. Played in only 10 games in 2021, nine for the Mariners' Low-A affiliate (Modesto) and one with Cleveland's complex team. Drafted by Seattle in the 11th round of the 2018 draft out of King's Way Christian Schools (WA). Career 5.78 ERA with 173 strikeouts in 165 minor league innings

Surprise

#11 Andres Chaparro (NYY) - Made his pro debut at 17 years old with the Yankees' affiliate in the Dominican Summer League. Played 65 games with Low-A Tampa in 2021 before being promoted to High-A Hudson Valley for the final 36 games of the season. Posted a combined .267/.381/.468 slash in 2021. Played exclusively with Low-A Staten Island in both 2018 and 2019.

#59 Mitch Ellis (KC) - Signed with the Royals as an international free agent out of Bundoora, Australia. Played two seasons with the ABL's Melbourne Aces, tossing a combined 16.2 innings from 2019-2021. Pitched 48.2 innings for High-A Quad Cities in 2021, posting a 5.36 ERA with 56 strikeouts. Switch-hitting pitcher in an American League organization.

#40 Jackson Rutledge (WAS) - Second-tallest player in the AFL (6'8") behind Spencer Mraz (TEX/Sagueros, 6'10"). Drafted with the 17th-overall pick in the 2019 draft out of San Jacinto College (TX). Played one season at the University of Arkansas in 2018, pitching 15.2 innings with a 3.45 ERA. Pitched 36.1 total innings in 2021 between High-A Wilmington, Low-A Fredericksburg and the Nationals' complex league team, posting a combined 7.68 ERA. Third-ranked Nationals prospect according to MLB Pipeline.

#28 Sam Huff (TEX) - Drafted by the Rangers in the seventh round of the 2016 draft out of Arcadia High School (AZ). Played in 10 games for the Texas Rangers in 2020, posting a .355/.394/.742 slash. Underwent knee surgery in early 2021 following a hamstring strain that kept him out of spring training action. Played in 61 minor league games in 2021 between Triple-A Round Rock, Double-A Frisco and the Rangers' complex league squad.

Glendale

#24 J.B. Olson (CWS) - 10th-round selection of the 2017 draft out of the University of Oklahoma. Pitched in 30 games for Double-A Birmingham in 2021, posting a 6.28 ERA in 43 innings. Career 4.90 ERA in the minors with 106 strikeouts in 119.1 total innings. 2.1 innings of work in the 2021 Fall League, allowing two earned runs on three hits.

#2 Orlando Martinez (LAA) - Signed with the Angels as an international free agent out of Cuba. Made his professional debut in 2018 with rookie-level Orem and Low-A Burlington. Played 102 games in 2021, all with Double-A Rocket City, posting a .258/.313/.445 slash. 16 home runs in an even 400 at-bats in 2021. Began the 2021 Fall League going 4-for-8 with a triple.

#35 Korey Lee (HOU) - 32nd-overall selection in the 2019 draft out of Cal. Played in 88 minor league games in 2021, posting a .277/.340/.438 slash. Played over half of his games in 2021 with Double-A Corpus Christi, collecting 185 at-bats and hitting eight home runs. 65-grade arm according to MLB Pipeline. Played two summers for the La Crosse Loggers in the summer collegiate Northwoods League.

#25 Bobby Miller (LAD) - MLB Pipeline's fourth-ranked Dodgers prospect. Pitched three seasons at the University of Louisville (2018-2020), posting a 3.28 ERA in 170 total innings. Drafted by the Dodgers with the 29th overall pick in the 2020 draft. Tops out at 99 and features both a four-seam and two-seam fastball. Minor league BB/9 of 2.1 is better than his college figure of 3.6.

Today's Fall League Five

1: Austin Wells (NYY) had a 4-for-5 afternoon with the Surprise Saguaros on Monday afternoon, driving in four of the Saguaros' five runs in a 5-3 victory. He raised his AFL season figures to a .429 average and a 1.181 OPS.

2: Scottsdale's Matt Wallner (MIN) was a leading performer in Monday's full set of Fall League action, going 3-for-5 with a solo home run. He currently holds a .375 average and a 1.194 OPS, cementing his status in the power hitting slots of the Scorpions' order.

3: Justin Jarvis (MIL) pitched a scoreless three innings in his Fall League debut last week, and the 21-year-old right-hander is scheduled to make his first start of the fall this afternoon as his Salt River Rafters take on the Peoria Javelinas. Jarvis is one of nine pitchers to have thrown three or more innings this fall without allowing a run.

4: With a leadoff home run for the Glendale Desert Dogs on Monday night, Lars Nootbaar (STL) stands atop the AFL home run leaderboard with three. Michael Toglia, Ivan Johnson and Matt Wallner are tied for second with two homers each.

5: Today is the first day of the 2021 AFL Schedule (excluding Sunday's off day) in which there are no night games. Both games on today's schedule will begin at 12:35 p.m. MST, but seven of the nine games to close out this week (Thursday-Saturday) will be night contests with 6:35 p.m. MST start times.

Important dates to remember:

- Fall Stars Game: November 13th at Salt River Fields
- Championship Game: November 20th at Salt River Fields

