

ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

GAME NOTES - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2026



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AFL Standings

	W-L	GB	Streak
Salt River Rafters	3-1	-	W1
Surprise Saguaros	3-1	-	L1
Scottsdale Scorpions	1-1-1	1.5	T1
Mesa Solar Sox	1-2-1	1.5	L1
Peoria Javelinas	1-2	1.5	L2
Glendale Desert Dogs	1-3	2.0	W1

Tuesday's Top Performers

JORGELYS MOTA (SRR/WSH/CF) launched his first home run of the fall, going a league-farthest 455 ft at a league-best exit velocity of 114.2 mph.

JULIAN BROCK (SUR/TEX/C) went 1-for-3 with an RBI double. Defensively, his four caught stealing tied for the best since 2005.

R.J. SALES (SRR/WSH/RHP) secured the win, allowing 1 run on 3 hits with 2 walks and 3 strikeouts over 5.1 innings pitched against Surprise.

BROOKS BRYAN (SUR/KC/1B) went 2-for-4, including a 442 ft home run in the 9th inning.

LOGAN SAMUELS (MSS/ATL/RHP) tossed 1.2 innings with 4 strikeouts and earned his first win.

CALEB BONEMER (GLE/MLB No. 27/CWS No. 2/CF) delivered with the go-ahead RBI single in the 10th inning.

ALEX WILLIAMS (GLE/MIA/RHP) tossed 3.0 scoreless innings, striking out 4 with 2 hits allowed.

ANTONIO ANDERSON (MSS/BOS/3B) went 2-for-4 with a double and two runs scored.

MLB Pipeline Top 100 Prospects

The AFL features 15 MLB Pipeline Top 100 prospects, the most prospects in the AFL since the league had 16 in both 2021 & 2022. Both the Dodgers and Tigers lead the league with two Top 100 prospects.

8. Sebastian Walcott - SS, Surprise Saguaros (TEX)
15. Eduardo Quintero - OF, Glendale Desert Dogs (LAD)
26. Zyhir Hope - OF, Scottsdale Scorpions (DET)
27. Caleb Bonemer - OF, Glendale Desert Dogs (CWS)
34. Arjun Nimmala - SS, Mesa Solar Sox (LAA)
44. Bryce Rainer - SS, Scottsdale Scorpions (DET)
58. Tate Southisene - SS, Glendale Desert Dogs (ATL)
59. Aidan Miller - SS, Surprise Saguaros (PHI)
63. Nathan Flewelling - C, Scottsdale Scorpions (TB)
66. Jarlin Susana - RHP, Salt River Rafters (WSH)
76. Angeibel Gomez - OF, Surprise Saguaros (KC)
78. Dax Kilby - SS, Salt River Rafters (NYY)
79. Charles Davalan - OF, Glendale Desert Dogs (LAD)
84. Demetrio Crisantes - 2B, Salt River Rafters (ARI)
95. Ike Irish - OF, Peoria Javelinas (BAL)

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Today's Headlines

The Arizona Fall League returns for its 34th playing season, welcoming hundreds of top Minor League prospects, the Arizona Fall League serves as the "finishing school" for players to reach the Major League level.

Today is one of just two days with a standalone game in the 2026 Arizona Fall League season. Glendale and Surprise will also match up on Sunday at Surprise Stadium after having Saturday off.

Starting Pitchers

Peoria @ Scottsdale: RHP Winyer Chourio (SD No. 15), an International Free Agent out of Mérida, Venezuela, gets the start for the Javelinas. In 2026, he led Padres Minor League pitchers with 122 strikeouts including a career-high 10 on May 12 vs. Rancho Cucamonga. Additionally, he struck out at least five batters in 13 of 23 total appearances and kept opponents to a .229 batting average against. He was named the California League Pitcher of the Month in April after he posted a 2.12 ERA with 26 strikeouts across 17 innings.

The Scorpions send **RHP Drake George (SF)** to the hill in Wednesday's lone matchup of the day. He was drafted in the 13th round (338) in 2024 out of Lewis-Clarke State. Lewis-Clarke State College has won 19 titles at the NAIA College World Series, the most of any school. George was the ace of the staff in his third season, being named the Co-Conference Pitcher of the Year. In 2025, George went 2-1 with a 3.20 ERA and 9.9 K/9 for Single-A San Jose before an injury ended his season, resulting in Tommy John surgery. This is his first outing since June 29, 2025.

Cactus Cuts

DIVISION SERIES: In the 2026 MLB Division Series, 87 of the 208 (41.8%) active players are Arizona Fall League alum. The New York Yankees led teams with 14, including Gerrit Cole, Max Fried, and Giancarlo Stanton.

RING HIM UP: In the 2026 MLB Division Series, 27 of the 28 Umpires and Replay Officials are alumni of the Arizona Fall League.

2025 AFL, 2026 MLB: In 2026, 25 players from the 2025 AFL season spent time in the Major Leagues, including 2025 MVP Kevin McGonigle, who had the highest WAR by a 21-and-under rookie since Mike Trout (2010 AFL alum) in 2012.

WE ARE NO.1: There are five organizational No. 1 prospects on AFL rosters, including Sebastian Walcott (SS/ Surprise/Rangers), Zyhir Hope (OF/Scottsdale/Tigers), Arjun Nimmala (SS/Mesa/Angels), Dax Kilby (SS/Salt River/Yankees), and Demetrio Crisantes (2B/Salt River/Diamondbacks).

FUTURES GAME: AFL rosters include five players who represented their organizations in the 2026 MLB All-Star Futures Game presented by Nike: Eduardo Quintero (Dodgers), Caleb Bonemer (White Sox), Ike Irish (Orioles), Dakota Jordan (Giants), and Futures Game MVP, Nathan Flewelling (Rays), who hit a two-run home run.

SUMMER CLASSIC: 25 former AFL players, 1 coach and all 6 umpires were selected to participate in Major League Baseball's 2026 All-Star Game in Philadelphia, PA. Since the AFL began in 1993, 371 former players have gone on to become MLB All-Stars.

Upcoming Games and Probable Pitchers

Wednesday, October 7

Peoria @ Scottsdale 6:30 RHP Winyer Chourio vs. RHP Drake George

Thursday, October 8

Peoria @ Glendale 1:30 RHP Patrick Riley vs. LHP Emmet Olson
Mesa @ Salt River 1:30 RHP Kyle Robinson vs. RHP JT Etheridge
Surprise @ Scottsdale 6:30 TBD vs. RHP Joey Dixon

Friday, October 9

Mesa @ Scottsdale 1:30 RHP Fernando Perez vs. RHP Marcus Johnson
Glendale @ Salt River 1:30 LHP Briggs McKenzie vs. LHP Patrick Forbes
Peoria @ Surprise 1:30 RHP Tekoah Roby vs. RHP Peyton Prescott

Batting Practice & Infield/Outfield

The Arizona Fall League is set to have three mandatory batting practice and I/O days on Oct. 8, 15, and 19. Other days are at the discretion of the coaching staffs. The schedule for those days is below:

1:30 - Home I/O: 9:45 a.m., Home BP: 10:10 a.m., Visitor BP: 11:25 p.m., Visitor I/O: 12:35 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.