



## Arizona Fall League Game Notes - Monday, November 1, 2021

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### AFL Standings

#### East Division

GB

Mesa	7-8	—
Salt River	6-8	0.5
Scottsdale	5-11	2.5

#### West Division

GB

Surprise	12-3	—
Glendale	8-7	4.0
Peoria	7-8	5.0

### Today's Games

#### GLENDALE @ SALT RIVER

##### Glendale

RHP Johan Dominguez  
1-1, 11.81 ERA

##### Salt River

RHP Abner Uribe  
0-1, 7.20 ERA

#### PEORIA @ MESA

##### Peoria

RHP James McArthur  
0-0, 3.00 ERA

##### Mesa

LHP Zach King  
0-0, 0.00 ERA

#### SCOTTSDALE @ SURPRISE

##### Scottsdale

LHP Kody Funderburk  
0-2, 10.29 ERA

##### Surprise

RHP Zach Haake  
1-0, 3.00 ERA

### Batting Practice Schedule - Through 11/6

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

**Dustin Pedroia** (Scottsdale Scorpions, 2004) made his MLB debut in 2006, two years after his work in the Arizona Fall League. He was named the American League Rookie of the Year in 2007, winning his first World Series championship in the same year. The second baseman was named the American League MVP in 2008, and would later collect his second World Series ring in 2013. Pedroia spent all of his 14 MLB seasons with the Boston Red Sox, the team that drafted him in the second round of the 2004 draft. The former Arizona State Sun Devil returned back to Arizona for the 2004 Fall League just months after the end of his collegiate career.

### Upcoming Games and Probable Starters

#### Tuesday, November 2

Glendale @ Mesa	12:35 p.m. RHP Landon Knack vs. RHP Ryan Jensen
Salt River @ Scottsdale	12:35 p.m. TBD vs. LHP Tanner Tully
Surprise @ Peoria	12:35 p.m. LHP Clay Aguilar vs. RHP First Contreras

#### Wednesday, November 3

Mesa @ Scottsdale	12:35 p.m. LHP Hogan Harris vs. RHP Caleb Sampen
Peoria @ Glendale	12:35 p.m. RHP William Woods vs. RHP Andre Pallante
Surprise @ Salt River	12:35 p.m. RHP Owen White vs. TBD

# Fall League Player Profile



## Kody Funderburk - MIN

Scottsdale Scorpions - P

**Bats:** Left      **Throws:** Left  
**Height:** 6'4"      **Weight:** 230 lb.

**Born:** November 27, 1996 (24)  
**Birthplace:** Mesa, AZ  
**Drafted:** 2018 (15th round, MIN)  
**College:** Dallas Baptist  
**Junior College:** Mesa CC (AZ)

**Favorite emoji:**

Rocket 🚀

**Most played song on your phone:**

Anything Mötley Crüe

**Favorite visiting park in the Fall League:**

Salt River Fields at Talking Stick

**Favorite hat in the AFL (other than the Scorpions):**

Surprise Saguaros

**Career if he wasn't a baseball player:**

Baseball coach

# AFL Player Notebook

## Peoria

**#55 Indigo Diaz (ATL)** - Played college baseball at Michigan State after transferring from Iowa Western Community College. Drafted in the 27th round of the 2019 draft, posting a 3.48 ERA for the rookie-level Gulf Coast League in the same year. Recorded a 1.20 ERA in 2021 between High-A Rome and Double-A Mississippi in 2021, posting 83 strikeouts in 45 innings. 0.867 WHIP in 55.1 career minor league innings.

**#17 Anthony Contreras (Manager, SD)** - Manager of the Fort Wayne TinCaps (High-A) from 2016-2021. Played nine seasons of minor league baseball as a utility infielder, peaking at Triple-A for 227 career games. Drafted by the San Francisco Giants in the 9th round of the 2005 draft. Spent six years in the Padres' system as a player before taking on managerial duties.

**#4 Drew Lugbauer (ATL)** - Played three seasons at the University of Michigan before an 11th-round draft selection to Atlanta in 2017. Turned down a 21st-round pick to the Blue Jays in 2014. Played exclusively with Double-A Mississippi in 2021, playing in 86 games and posting a .223/.331/.453 slash. 59 career minor league home runs in 387 games. Started the Fall League going 3-for-11 with a home run.

## Salt River

**#32 J.T. Hintzen (MIL)** - Drafted in the 10th round of the 2018 draft out of Florida Southern College. Played exclusively with Double-A Biloxi in 2021, posting a 3.88 ERA in 36 total appearances. 162.1 career minor league appearances in three seasons. Played the 2017 summer with the Orleans Firebirds (Cape Cod Baseball League), posting a 1.96 ERA in 16 games (23 innings).

**#40 Hayden Senger (NYM)** - Drafted in the 24th round of the 2018 draft. Played 61 total games in 2021, 50 of them coming with Double-A Binghamton where he posted at .254/.337/.387 slash. 160 hits in 183 career minor league games. Three home runs and 13 doubles in his 50 career Double-A games. Went 3-for-17 with a double to begin his 2021 AFL campaign.

**#56 Lun Zhao (MIL)** - Born in Beijing, China. Made his minor league debut in 2018 with Brewers rookie-level affiliates, allowing one run in 8.1 innings. Played exclusively with the Brewers' complex league affiliate in 2021, posting a 1.04 ERA in 8.2 total innings. 17 combined innings of minor league experience. Allowed one earned run in his first 3.1 innings of AFL work (two total appearances).

## Mesa

**#1 Lance Rymel (CHC)** - Managed the 2019 Eugene Emeralds and the 2021 Arizona Complex League Cubs. Served as a bullpen catcher and coach for the 2020 Chicago Cubs. Spent three years as a player in the Cubs' organization (2012-14), playing as high as Triple-A Iowa. .225/.304/.308 career minor league hitter. Attended Rogers State University (OK) and Broken Arrow High School (OK).

**#75 Zach King (MIA)** - 13th-round selection in the 2019 draft out of Vanderbilt. Played in the 2019 College World Series with the Commodores. 94.1 total innings of minor league experience between the Marlins' rookie-level Florida affiliate and High-A Beloit. Pitched exclusively in High-A this year, posting a 5.88 slash in 78 total innings.

**#9 Ramon Rodriguez (BAL)** - Drafted in the 30th round of the 2016 draft out of the Puerto Rico Baseball Academy. Made his professional debut at the age of 17 with the Dodgers' Arizona League affiliate. Played in a total of 54 games in 2021, splitting time between Low-A Delmarva, High-A Aberdeen and Double-A Bowie, posting a combined .253/.304/.384 slash. 166 career minor league hits in 193 games.

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## Scottsdale

**#53 Andrew Politi (BOS)** - 15th-round selection in 2018 out of Seton Hall. Played exclusively with Double-A Portland in 2021, posting a 6.36 ERA in 75 total innings. Allowed two earned runs in his first six games of Fall League work (7.2 innings), allowing eight hits and recording five strikeouts. 228 strikeouts in 182.2 minor league innings.

**#43 Zach Featherstone (MIN)** - 12th-round pick in the 2016 draft out of Tallahassee Community College (FL). Pitched exclusively with High-A Cedar Rapids in 2021, posting a 2.13 ERA in 55 innings. 73.1 career minor league innings with a 2.58 ERA. Collected 93 strikeouts in 55 innings this year. Did not record a minor league affiliate inning in 2019 or 2020.

**#21 Hunter Bishop (SF)** - Played three seasons at Arizona State before signing as the 10th overall selection in the 2019 draft. Posted a career collegiate slash of .304/.412/.576 with the Sun Devils. Played in 16 minor league games this year, 11 in the Arizona complex league. Went 2-for-3 on Wednesday night against the Salt River Rafters, posting two RBIs. Sixth-ranked Giants prospect according to MLB Pipeline.

## Surprise

**#11 Andres Chaparro (NYY)** - In Week 3 of AFL action (Oct. 25-30), posted a 1.560 OPS and went 7-for-14. Debuted in minor league ball at 17 with the Yankees in the Dominican Summer League. Played for Low-A Tampa and High-A Hudson Valley in 2021, posting a .267/.381/.468 slash in 359 total at-bats. 314 career minor league games with a .240/.336/.393 slash.

**#47 Tanner Myatt (NYY)** - 11th-round pick in the 2018 draft out of Florence-Darlington Technical College (SC). 77 career minor league innings with a 4.79 ERA. Pitched 18.1 total innings in 2021 between High-A Hudson Valley and Low-A Tampa. One run allowed in his first 2.2 innings of AFL work. 87 strikeouts in 77 career minor league innings.

**#31 Michael Byrne (CIN)** - Drafted in the 14th round of the 2018 draft out of the University of Florida. Played for the Gators in 2016, 2017 and 2018, making a College World Series appearance in all three seasons. Played in 33 games with Double-A Chattanooga in 2021, posting a 3.24 ERA. Made one scoreless appearance in Triple-A Louisville this year. Four innings of scoreless work to begin his 2021 AFL campaign.

## Glendale

**#29 Joe Record (HOU)** - Played three seasons at UC-Santa Barbara before a 28th-round draft selection in 2017. Played exclusively with Double-A Corpus Christi in 2021, posting a 3.36 ERA in 61.2 total innings. 116.2 career minor league innings with a 4.17 ERA. Began the 2021 Fall League with six scoreless innings, allowing one hit and collecting five strikeouts.

**#39 Brendan Donovan (STL)** - Born in Wurzburg, Germany. Drafted in the 7th round of the 2018 draft out of the University of South Alabama. Recorded 391 at-bats in 2021, posting a combined .304/.399/.455 slash between High-A Peoria, Double-A Springfield and Triple-A Memphis. Started the Fall League going 10-for-28 with five doubles.

**#52 McKinley Moore (CWS)** - 14th-round draft pick out of Arkansas-Little Rock in 2019. Played in 37 games in 2021 between Low-A Kannapolis and High-A Winston-Salem, posting a combined 4.20 ERA in 40.2 total innings. 4.43 career minor league ERA in 63 innings. Allowed two earned runs in his first 3.1 innings of AFL work (three total appearances).

## Today's Fall League Five

1: Cole Henry (WAS) tossed four innings of one-run baseball on Saturday, collecting six strikeouts. He is now the AFL leader in strikeouts with 21 and lowered his ERA to 3.75 in 12 total innings. His Saguaros have collected 150 strikeouts in 142 innings.

2: Hans Crouse (PHI) took the mound for the Peoria Javelinas on Saturday, recording five strikeouts in four innings. He now has 19 total strikeouts in 11 innings of Fall League work, trailing only Cole Henry of the Saguaros.

3: Hunter Bishop (SF) went 3-for-5 for the Scottsdale Scorpions on Saturday, posting three doubles and 2 RBIs. Despite Scottsdale falling to Surprise 8-4, the Scorpions out-hit the Saguaros 10-7 and Bishop accounted for three of the Scorpions' 10 hits. He is now a combined 6-for-22 in the Fall League with five total doubles and a .273/.333/.500 slash.

4: Bryson Stott (PHI) drove in a league-leading five runs on Saturday, going 3-for-6 in a 16-13 win over the Mesa Solar Sox. His Peoria Javelinas posted 16 hits while Stott also scored two runs. He now holds a .409/.517/.568 slash in 12 Fall League games while his OPS of 1.085 ranks 13th in the entire league.

5: Despite a league-leading 12-3 record, the Surprise Saguaros' team ERA of 4.63 trails the Salt River Rafters (4.56) for the best mark in the Fall League. Salt River also has the lowest OPS in the league (.723), however, while the Mesa Solar Sox rank first (.872) and the Saguaros rank second (.867).

### Important dates to remember:

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

