

ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

GAME NOTES - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2025



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AFL Standings

Peoria Javelinas	2-0	-	W2
Surprise Saguaros	2-0	-	W2
Salt River Rafters	1-1	1.0	L1
Scottsdale Scorpions	1-1	1.0	W1
Glendale Desert Dogs	0-2	2.0	L2
Mesa Solar Sox	0-2	2.0	L2

Wednesday's Top Performers

KEVIN MCGONIGLE (SCO/DET No. 1/MLB No. 2) recorded his first AFL extra base hit and RBI on a two-run double.

SEAVER KING (SCO/WSH No. 7) drove in 5 RBI going 3-for-5 with a two-run single and a three-run home run the other way.

ESMERLYN VALDEZ (SRR/PIT No. 15) homered for the second time in as many games with a 414-foot blast to left-center field.

The Stars of Tomorrow, Today

TOP 30: AFL rosters combine 92 of MLB Pipeline's organizational Top 30 prospects. The Rangers lead all systems with seven.

THE FUTURE: Ten players on Arizona Fall League rosters represented their organizations in the 2025 MLB All-Star Futures Game in July.

TOP DOG: There are four organizational No. 1 prospects on AFL rosters, including Kevin McGonigle (SS/SCO/Tigers), Sebastian Walcott (SS/SUR/Rangers), Josue De Paula (OF/Glendale/Dodgers), and Braden Montgomery (OF/GDD/White Sox).

STATE 48: Arizona alum Austin Smith (RHP/SRR/Rockies), Arizona State alum Joe Lampe (OF/SUR/Guardians) and Gateway CC alum Carson Jacobs (RHP/GDD/White Sox) are the local college products. Justin Chambers (LHP/GDD/Dodgers), and Nathan Peterson (LHP/SUR/Brewers) are two Valley natives, with Chambers being a Basha High School alum.

MLB Pipeline Top 100 Prospects

- Kevin McGonigle - SS, Scottsdale Scorpions (DET)
- Sebastian Walcott - SS, Surprise Saguaros (TEX)
- Josue De Paula - OF, Glendale Desert Dogs (LAD)
- Braden Montgomery - OF, Glendale Desert Dogs (CWS)
- Charlie Condon - 1B/LF, Salt River Rafters (COL)
- Blake Mitchell - C, Surprise Saguaros (KC)
- Alfredo Duno - C, Peoria Javelinas (CIN)
- Jonny Farnelo - OF, Peoria Javelinas (SEA)
- Rhett Lowder - RHP, Peoria Javelinas (CIN)
- Hagen Smith - LHP, Glendale Desert Dogs (CWS)
- Cam Collier - 1B/3B Peoria Javelinas (CIN)

Fall League Alumni

ROAD TO THE FALL CLASSIC: 88 players on Division Series rosters are AFL alumni with the Phillies leading with 16. 2016 Mesa Solar Sox **Kyle Schwarber** has hit a home run in every postseason round, hitting a pair in Wednesday's Game 3 win over the Dodgers.

DEBUTS: 84 AFL alumni made their MLB debut in 2025 including 30 of which from #AFL24.

FALL STARS: Forty-one percent of all players named to the 2025 MLB All-Star Game in Atlanta were alums (33 of 80), including 10 out of 20 players in the starting lineups (starting pitchers and DH included).

Media Inquiries

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Today's Headlines

Surprise @ Peoria: This is the first game at Peoria Sports Complex of the 2025 Arizona Fall League season as two undefeated teams face off after taking home extra-inning wins on Wednesday. **Ryan Jackson** (SD/INF) acted as the hero with a two-run go-ahead single in the 10th at Mesa. **Dylan O'Rae** (MIL/SS) gave the Saguaros the first walk-off win of 2025 with a two-run single to left field.

Seven of the 11 Surprise runs were courtesy of home runs by Phillies prospect **Dylan Cambell**, **Josh Adamczewski** (MIL No.13), and **Luke Adams** (MIL No. 8). Adamczewski hit the first grand slam of the 2025 AFL season by sending a ball 428 feet.

RHP **Eiberson Castellano** (SUR/PHI No. 24) makes his first career AFL start taking on RHP **Johnathan Harmon** (PEJ/CIN) who struck out 19 in five starts with Dayton (A+).

Mesa @ Salt River: RHP **David Hagaman** (ARI No. 15) toes the slab after being a part of the deal that sent Merrill Kelly to Texas. The 2024 fourth-round pick out of West Virginia pitched with a 2.41 ERA between the ACL Rangers and Hickory (A) but didn't miss a beat after the trade. Hagaman finished 2025 with three straight 7+ strikeout games with a career high of 8 strikeouts on Aug. 20 for Hillsboro (A).

He will face fellow RHP **Corey Avant**. The Athletics prospect is coming off a career year, setting personal bests in wins (6), ERA (4.23), strikeouts (103), and K/9 (10.8) across Lansing (A) and Midland (A+).

Scottsdale @ Glendale: Scottsdale takes the drive west to break-in Camelback Ranch for 2025 AFL action. The Desert Dogs saw **Hagen Smith** (MLB No.88/CWS No. 5) toss three shutout innings Wednesday with four strikeouts in his first AFL start.

They will turn to Cardinals No. 16 prospect **Chen-Wei Lin** as he makes his AFL debut after tying a career-high with nine strikeouts in his final start with Double-A Springfield. At 6-foot-7, the Taiwanese RHP recorded 10 wins, a 2.27 ERA, and 123 strikeouts over 116 innings in 2024 with Palm Beach (A). He opposes Scottsdale's **Ryan Murphy** (RHP/SF).

Upcoming Games and Probable Pitchers

Thursday, October 9

Surprise @ Peoria	1:30	RHP Eiberson Castellano vs. RHP Johnathan Harmon
Mesa @ Salt River	1:30	RHP Corey Avant vs. RHP David Hagaman
Scottsdale @ Glendale	1:30	RHP Ryan Murphy vs. RHP Chen-Wei Lin

Friday, October 10

Salt River @ Peoria	1:30	RHP Ryan Costeiu vs. RHP Miguel Boadas
Surprise @ Glendale	1:30	LHP Jesús Broca vs. RHP Luke Sinnard
Mesa @ Scottsdale	1:30	RHP Aiden May vs. RHP Anderson Brito

Tucson Tripleheader Canceled Due to Hurricane Priscilla

Due to weather concerns related to Hurricane Priscilla, the Arizona Fall League has canceled the AFL Tucson Tripleheader at Kino Veterans Memorial Stadium scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 11, 2025. Updates regarding playing these games on a different day at a new site will come later.

Fans who purchased tickets may receive either 1. Tickets to both the AFL Home Run Derby (Nov. 8) and the Fall Stars Game (Nov. 9) or 2. A full refund through the original method of purchase. For questions, go to arizonafallleague@mlb.com.