

# ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

GAME NOTES  MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2022



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## AFL Standings

W-L-T GB

Surprise Saguaros	11-6	—
Scottsdale Scorpions	9-8-1	2.0
Glendale Desert Dogs	8-8-1	2.5
Mesa Solar Sox	8-8-2	2.5
Peoria Javelinas	8-10	3.5
Salt River Rafters	7-11	4.5

## Today's Games

### Surprise @ Peoria

Peoria Sports Complex - 12:35 p.m.

#### Surprise

RHP Kumar Rocker (TEX)  
1-1, 5.40 ERA

#### Peoria

RHP Bryan Woo (SEA)  
1-0, 1.59 ERA

### Salt River @ Mesa

Sloan Park - 6:35 p.m.

#### Salt River

LHP Connor Thomas (STL)  
1-0, 1.42 ERA

#### Mesa

RHP Mason Miller (OAK)  
1-1, 5.87 ERA

### Scottsdale @ Glendale

Camelback Ranch - 6:35 p.m.

#### Scottsdale

RHP Allan Winans (ATL)  
0-1, 1.93 ERA

#### Glendale

RHP Christian Roa (CIN)  
1-1, 12.86 ERA



## Today's Headlines

**Edouard Julien (MIN)** went 3-for-4 with two home runs on Saturday, driving in a combined five runs. The infielder now holds an AFL batting slash of .364/.543/.636 through 10 games (12-for-33); his OPS of 1.179 ranks fourth among qualified players.

**Joey Wentz (DET)** pitched four scoreless innings for the Salt River Rafters on Saturday, keeping his Fall League ERA at a perfect 0.00 through a combined three starts (12 IP). Wentz struck out three hitters and allowed a combined three baserunners (1 H, 2 BB).

**Owen Caissie (CHC)** had a 2-for-4 showing with a home run and double on Saturday, helping lead his Mesa Solar Sox to a 12-9 victory over the first-place Surprise Saguaros. Caissie recorded four RBI at Phoenix Municipal Stadium, doubling his AFL total.

**Connor Thomas (STL)** stands atop the AFL strikeout leaderboard (17) after three weeks of action. The left-hander returns to the mound this evening at Sloan Park after collecting 10 strikeouts in his last start (4 IP). Thomas has pitched a combined 12 2/3 AFL innings.

**Zach Britton (TOR)** is the current AFL leader in OPS (1.303), batting average (.500) and on-base percentage (.553) among qualified players. Going 9-for-13 in AFL Week 3 (.692/.733/1.154), Britton helped lead the Salt River Rafters to a 4-2 record in a six-day span.

After three complete weeks of AFL action, the Mesa Solar Sox lead the league in team OPS (.879), while the Glendale Desert Dogs lead in batting average (.275) and on-base percentage (.400). The Surprise Saguaros lead in team ERA (4.63) and pitching strikeouts (163).

## Weekly Batting Practice Schedule

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

**12:35 p.m.** - Home Infield: 9:10 a.m., Home BP: 9:25 a.m., Visitor BP: 10:40 a.m., Visitor Infield: 11:40 a.m.

**6:35 p.m.** - Home Infield: 3:10 p.m., Home BP: 3:25 p.m., Visitor BP: 4:40 p.m., Visitor Infield: 5:40 p.m.

Note: Batting practice in AFL Week 4 (Oct. 24-29) is required on Mondays and Thursdays. Schedule is subject to change.

## Upcoming Games and Probable Starters

### Tuesday, October 25

Glendale @ Surprise 6:35 p.m. Emmet Sheehan (LAD) vs. Rhett Kouba (HOU)

Salt River @ Scottsdale 6:35 p.m. TBD vs. TBD

Off Day: Mesa, Peoria

### Wednesday, October 26

Peoria @ Glendale 12:35 p.m. Christian Scott (NYM) vs. Chase Solesky (CWS)

Mesa @ Surprise 12:35 p.m. Ryan Cusick (OAK) vs. Colton Gordon (HOU)

Off Day: Salt River, Scottsdale

# AFL Prospect Rankings - MLB Pipeline Top 100

#6	<b>Jordan Walker</b> - OF, Salt River Rafters (STL)	#51	<b>Brennen Davis</b> - OF, Mesa Solar Sox (CHC)
#13	<b>Jordan Lawlar</b> - SS, Salt River Rafters (ARI)	#54	<b>Masyn Winn</b> - SS, Salt River Rafters (STL)
#18	<b>Noelvi Marte</b> - SS, Glendale Desert Dogs (CIN)	#69	<b>Andy Pages</b> - OF, Glendale Desert Dogs (LAD)
#20	<b>Henry Davis</b> - C, Surprise Saguaros (PIT)	#76	<b>Matt McLain</b> - SS, Glendale Desert Dogs (CIN)
#23	<b>Robert Hassell III</b> - OF, Peoria Javelinas (WAS)	#87	<b>Jackson Merrill</b> - SS, Peoria Javelinas (SD)
#24	<b>Zac Veen</b> - OF, Salt River Rafters (COL)	#95	<b>Tink Hence</b> - P, Salt River Rafters (STL)
#42	<b>Jasson Domínguez</b> - OF, Mesa Solar Sox (NYY)	#97	<b>Nick Gonzales</b> - 2B, Surprise Saguaros (PIT)
#47	<b>Quinn Priester</b> - P, Surprise Saguaros (PIT)	#98	<b>Zack Gelof</b> - 2B, Mesa Solar Sox (OAK)

## Arizona Fall League Alumni Spotlight

**Bryce Harper (Scottsdale Scorpions, 2010/2011)** went 2-for-4 on Sunday in Game 5 of the National League Championship Series. His home run and two RBI proved decisive in a 4-3 victory over the San Diego Padres, leading the Philadelphia Phillies to the World Series for the first time since 2009. The first-overall selection in the 2010 MLB Draft, Harper was 17 years old when he first appeared in the Fall League. The outfielder made his MLB debut with the Washington Nationals in 2012 and has since received two National League MVP Awards (2015 and 2021) and seven All-Star selections.

## AFL Player Notebook

### Glendale Desert Dogs

MLB affiliates: CWS, LAD, CIN, MIN, MIL

#### #30 Alex Isola - Minnesota Twins

Played 58 games in 2022 with Double-A Wichita, posting a .286/.377/.471 slash. Selected in the 29th round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of Texas Christian University; previously attended the University of Utah and Yavapai College (AZ). Born in Lincoln, California.

#### #45 Francis Peguero - Minnesota Twins

Pitched 23 innings in 2022 between Double-A Wichita (18 2/3 IP) and the Florida Complex League (4 1/3), posting a combined 6.65 ERA with 18 strikeouts. Traded from the Reds to the Twins in 2022 in a deal that also sent RHP Sonny Gray to Minnesota.

#### Today's Starting Pitcher

#### #49 Christian Roa - Cincinnati Reds

Selected in the second round of the 2020 MLB Draft out of Texas A&M. Pitched 91 innings in 2022 between High-A Dayton and Double-A Chattanooga, posting a 3.56 ERA. Career 3.55 ERA in 149 2/3 professional innings. Played one summer collegiate season with the La Crosse Loggers (Northwoods League).

### Mesa Solar Sox

MLB affiliates: CHC, OAK, MIA, NYY, TB

#### #51 Zac Leigh - Chicago Cubs

Selected in the 16th round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Texas State. Pitched 34 2/3 innings in 2022 between High-A South Bend (23 IP) and Double-A Tennessee (11 2/3), posting a combined 2.86 ERA with 53 strikeouts. Born in Kingwood, Texas. Career 2.49 ERA in the Minors (43 1/3 IP).

#### #59 T.J. Rumfield - New York Yankees

Selected in the 12th round of the 2021 MLB Draft. Played one collegiate season at Texas Tech before finishing his collegiate eligibility at Virginia Tech. Posted a .284/.381/.411 slash in 52 games with High-A Hudson Valley in 2022. Born in Richmond, Virginia; attended Temple High School in Temple, Texas.

#### Today's Starting Pitcher

#### #17 Mason Miller - Oakland Athletics

Pitched 14 total innings in 2022 between Triple-A Las Vegas, High-A Lansing and the Arizona Complex League, posting a combined 3.86 ERA. Career 3.15 ERA in 20 professional innings. Third-round selection in the 2021 MLB Draft out of Gardner-Webb University.



# AFL Player Notebook

## Peoria Javelinas

MLB affiliates: SD, SEA, CLE, NYM, WAS

### #21 Joshua Mears - San Diego Padres

Second-round selection in the 2021 MLB Draft out of Federal Way High School (WA). Played 93 games in 2022 between Double-A San Antonio (24), High-A Fort Wayne (52) and the Arizona Complex League (17), posting a combined .217/.305/.486 batting slash.

### #10 Luke Ritter - New York Mets

Played four collegiate seasons at Wichita State, recording a 1.003 OPS in his senior season (59 games). Born in Minneapolis; turned down a selection by the Twins in the 37th round of the 2018 MLB Draft. Returned to college and was selected in the seventh round by the Mets in 2019.

#### Today's Starting Pitcher

### #35 Bryan Woo - Seattle Mariners

Selected in the sixth round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Cal Poly. Pitched primarily with High-A Everett in 2022, posting a 4.78 ERA with 46 strikeouts in seven total starts (32 IP). Pitched four shutout innings in his first AFL start (Oct. 3). Born in Oakland, California.

## Surprise Saguaros

MLB affiliates: KC, TEX, HOU, PHI, PIT

### #98 Tahnaj Thomas - Pittsburgh Pirates

Pitched exclusively with Double-A Altoona in 2022, posting a 3.02 ERA in 50 2/3 innings. Pitched 60 2/3 innings in 2021 with a 5.19 ERA for High-A Greensboro. Acquired by Pittsburgh from Cleveland in advance of the 2019 season. Born in Freeport, Bahamas.

### #34 Henry Davis - Pittsburgh Pirates

First-overall selection in the 2021 MLB Draft out of the University of Louisville. Played 59 games in 2022 between Double-A Altoona (31 games), High-A Greensboro (22), Single-A Bradenton (5) and the Florida Complex League (1). Helped lead Louisville to the College World Series in 2019.

#### Today's Starting Pitcher

### #80 Kumar Rocker - Texas Rangers

Third-overall selection in the 2022 MLB Draft. Pitched at Vanderbilt from 2019-21, helping lead the Commodores to the College World Series in 2019 and 2021. Pitched on Team USA's 18-and-under national team. Pitched 20 innings for the Tri-City Valley Cats (Frontier League) in 2022.

## Salt River Rafters

MLB affiliates: ARI, COL, DET, STL, TOR

### #31 Fineas Del Bonta-Smith - Colorado Rockies

Pitched 50 innings with Double-A Hartford this year, posting a 3.96 ERA with 55 strikeouts. Played two collegiate seasons at San Jose State. Posted a 0.68 ERA with the 2018 St. Cloud Rox (Northwoods League), winning Team Co-MVP honors alongside teammate Evan Johnson (Seattle Mariners).

### #22 Jack Anderson - Detroit Tigers

Selected in the 16th round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Florida State. Pitched in 33 career games with the Seminoles (30 relief appearances), posting a combined 2.75 ERA from 2019-2021. Held a 3.47 ERA in 2022 between Single-A Lakeland (38 2/3 IP) and High-A West Michigan (21 IP).

#### Today's Starting Pitcher

### #18 Connor Thomas - St. Louis Cardinals

Played three collegiate seasons at Georgia Tech (2018 All-ACC First Team). Selected in the fifth round of the 2019 MLB Draft after posting a 3.11 ERA with the Yellow Jackets (113 IP). Pitched exclusively with Triple-A Memphis this year, recording a 5.47 ERA and 1.57 WHIP over 135 innings.

## Scottsdale Scorpions

MLB affiliates: SF, LAA, BAL, BOS, ATL

### #37 Nolan Hoffman - Baltimore Orioles

Selected by the Mariners in the fifth round of the 2018 MLB Draft out of Texas A&M. Acquired by the Orioles in the 2021 Rule 5 Draft. Pitched 23 1/3 innings in 2022 between Double-A Bowie (23 1/3), High-A Aberdeen (2) and the Florida Complex League, posting a combined 3.62 ERA.

### #24 Justyn-Henry Malloy - Atlanta Braves

Played two collegiate seasons at Vanderbilt before transferring to Georgia Tech. Played on Team USA's 15-and-under national team. Selected in the sixth round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Georgia Tech. Played 133 games in 2022 between High-A (71), Double-A (54) and Triple-A (8).

#### Today's Starting Pitcher

### #15 Allan Winans - Atlanta Braves

Pitched 64 1/3 innings in 2022 between Double-A Mississippi (44 1/3 IP) and Triple-A Gwinnett (15), holding a .308 ERA with 65 strikeouts. Selected in the 17th round of the 2018 MLB Draft out of Campbell University. Born in Bakersfield, California.

# Upcoming Special Events



**Saturday, November 5**

**Sloan Park**

*6:35 p.m. MST*



**Sunday, November 6**

**Sloan Park**

*6:00 p.m. MST*



**Friday, November 11**

**Peoria Sports Complex**

*6:35 p.m. MST*



**Saturday, November 12**

**Scottsdale Stadium**

*6:00 p.m. MST*

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