# **ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE**

**GAME NOTES - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2025** 











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#### Standings W-L **GB** Streak 12-5 W4 Scottsdale Scorpions Surprise Saguaros 10-6 1.5 L1 Peoria Javelinas 9-8 3.0 W1 Salt River Rafters 8-9 4.0 L3 Mesa Solar Sox 7-10 W1 5.0 Glendale Desert Dogs 4-12 L1

### **Tuesday's Top Performance**

**MAX ANDERSON** (SCO/DET No. 9/INF) went 2-for-4 with the go-ahead two-run home run to right in the bottom of the seventh. His batting average is now up to .517, leading the AFL.

**ETHAN PETRY** (SCO/WSH No. 8/OF) was 1-for-4 with a two-run 422-foot home run.

**PARKS HARBER** (SCO/SF/1B) was 2-for-3 with a walk, an RBI and a 114.3 MPH double.

**COLE MATHIS** (MSS/CHC/INF) went 2-for-4, driving in 5 RBI on a three-run home run and a two-run single. It is his second long ball of the AFL.

**CADE SMITH** (MSS/CHC/RHP) earned his first AFL win with three shutout innings. He has allowed one run across 9 2/3 innings this season, good for a 0.93 ERA.

**CHARLIE CONDON** (SRR/COL No. 2, MLB No. 61/INF) went 2-for-4 with an RBI. Condon is hitting .357 with a .910 OPS.

**LEO BALCAZAR** (PEO/CIN No. 23/INF) extended the lead for Peoria with a two-run double. He is now in sole possession of the league lead in hits with 21.

**ENRIQUE BRADFIELD JR.** (PEO/BAL No.4/OF) went 2-for-5 with 2 2B, 2 RBI, and a SB. Bradfield extends his league-lead in stolen bases to 14 and extends his stolen base streak to 4 games.

## Fall League Alumni

**FALL LEAGUE TO FALL CLASSIC:** In the 2025 World Series, 21 of the 52 active players (40.4%) between the Dodgers and Blue Jays are Arizona Fall League alum.

**VLADDY DOES IT AGAIN**: 2018 Surprise Saguaro **Vladimir Guerror Jr.** launched his seventh home run of the postseason on Tuesday, breaking the Blue Jays franchise record. He is hitting .419 in the postseason after his tworun shot put the Blue Jays up for good.

**UMPIRES:** Six of the seven umpires assigned to the 2025 World Series are AFL alum.

**MVPs**: Each of the last 10 Willie Mays World Series MVPs played in the Arizona Fall League including two-time MVP **Corey Seager** ('13-'14 Desert Dog).

**FEELING GOLDEN**: 24 Rawlings Gold Glove Finalists are Arizona Fall League alum (40%).

**SILVER SLUGGERS:** 26 Louisville Slugger Silver Slugger Finalists are Arizona Fall League alum (47.3%).

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

# **Media Inquiries**

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# Today's Headlines

**Mesa** @ **Glendale**: Two high-caliber, former SEC arms match up this afternoon at Camelback Ranch. The 2024 second-round pick out of Vanderbilt, RHP **Bryce Cunningham** (NYY No. 5) makes his fourth AFL start after making 11 in his first pro season with High-A Hudson Valley, ending with a 5-3 record and a 2.82 ERA. He faces former Arkansas Razorback LHP **Hagen Smith** (CWS No. 5/MLB No. 88). Through three starts, Smith has tossed nine innings and is fourth in the AFL with 16 strikeouts. The No. 5 overall pick in 2024 has kept opponents to a .182 average against him.

**Scottsdale** @ **Surprise**: Another highly anticipated pitching matchup brings the Saguaros and Scorpions together again for a second-straight day. Scottsdale has taken three of the four meetings and has won nine of their last 11 games, including four-straight. They hand the ball off to the knuckleballer, RHP **Kenny Serwa** (DET). He makes his third AFL start after tossing 118 innings across 27 appearances in the Tigers system. He will face RHP **Daniel Espino** (CLE No. 29). After making his first professional appearance in 1,250 days on Sept. 20 in Triple-A, Espino has struck out five 13 batters faced, with his fastball topping out at 100.2.

**Peoria** @ **Salt River**: The Javelinas are back above .500 after a complete performance from their bullpen on Tuesday. Five pitchers combined for eight shutout innings, striking out 10. Opening Week's NFP Pitcher of the Week, LHP **Luis De León** (BAL No. 21), makes his fourth AFL start. His 15 strikeouts are tied for fifth in the AFL. Toeing the slab for Salt River is LHP **Ben Shields** (COL No. 29), who is making his first AFL appearance. Shields and 2B Roc Riggio were sent from the Yankees to the Rockies for RHP Jake Bird at this year's deadline.

#### **Schedule Updates**

The Arizona Fall League announced the following schedule changes on Tuesday:

- All games Wednesday, Oct. 29 and Friday, Oct. 31 will be seven-inning games
- No games from Tues. Oct. 28 to Sun. Nov. 2 will have extra innings
- -The Sunday, Nov. 2 game between Surprise and Glendale is now a doubleheader with both games being seven innings and a 45 minute break between games. Game one set for 12:30 p.n

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Upcoming Games and Probable Pitchers		
Wednesday, October 29		
Mesa @ Glendale	1:30	RHP Bryce Cunningham vs. LHP Hagen Smith
Scottsdale @ Surprise	1:30	RHP Kenny Serwa vs. RHP Daniel Espino
Peoria @ Salt River	1:30	LHP Luis De León vs. LHP Ben Shields
Thursday, October 30		
Mesa @ Salt River	1:30	RHP Koen Moreno vs. RHP Jack Mahoney
Surrpise @ Peoria	1:30	TBD vs. RHP Johnathan Harmon
Glendale @ Scottsdale	6:30	RHP Chen Wei-Lin vs. RHP Spencer Miles
Friday, October 31		
Peoria @ Glendale	1:30	RHP Miguel Boadas vs. RHP Darlin Saldin
Scottsdale @ Salt River	1:30	RHP Anderson Brito vs. RHP David Hagaman
Mesa @ Surprise	1:30	RHP Karson Milbrandt vs. RHP Logan Martin
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# **Weekly Batting Practice & Infield/Outfield**

**Wednesdays** are the current mandatory batting practice and I/O days. The schedule 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.