



# ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

## GAME NOTES - MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2024



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### AFL Standings

W-L	GB	Streak
Glendale Desert Dogs 0-0	0	N/A
Mesa Solar Sox 0-0	0	N/A
Peoria Javelinas 0-0	0	N/A
Salt River Rafters 0-0	0	N/A
Scottsdale Scorpions 0-0	0	N/A
Surprise Saguaros 0-0	0	N/A

### "Prime 9" 2024 AFL Roster Breakdown

1. There are four organizational No. 1 prospects on AFL rosters: Jac Caglianone (KC), Ethan Salas (SD), Colt Emerson (SEA) and Bryce Eldridge (SF).

2. Peoria and Scottsdale each have four Top 100 prospects on their rosters, the most of any team in the league.

3. Over 70 players on this year's AFL rosters played in MLB's inaugural "Spring Breakout" games this past March.

4. 10 players on this year's AFL rosters were on 2024 All-Star Futures Game rosters. Eight of those players played in the game in Texas and seven were in the starting lineups.

5. AFL player/coach ties to Arizona: Peoria manager Ryan Scott (SEA) and Surprise catcher Kody Huff (CLE) are Scottsdale natives. Surprise LHP Avery Weems (TEX) is from Flagstaff and pitched at Univ. of Arizona. Mesa RHP, Vince Reilly (CHI) pitched at Grand Canyon Univ.

6. Glendale's roster features three players with MLB experience: Reds INFs Christian Encarnacion-Strand and Matt McLain and Cardinals INF Thomas Saggese.

7. Four AFL players were 2024 All-MiLB Prospect Team selections. Bryce Eldridge (SF) was a first-team selection at DH while second-teamers included Tre' Morgan (TB) at 1B, Alejandro Osuna (TEX) in the OF, and Moises Ballesteros (CHI) at DH (Mesa)

8. Two of the six AFL managers have won a Manager of the Year award: Ryan Scott (SEA), 2023, Northwest League and Andy Schatzley (LAA), 2022, Southern League.

9. The AFL's five youngest players are INF Leodalis De Vries (10/11/06), C Ethan Salas (6/1/06), INF Colt Emerson (7/20/05), C Juan Baez (6/27/05) and OF Zyhir Hope (1/19/05).

### MLB Pipeline Top 100 Prospects in AFL

- 15. Jac Caglianone - 1B/LHP, Surprise Saguaros (KC)
- 17. Ethan Salas - C, Peoria Javelinas (SD)
- 18. Xaiver Isaac - 1B, Mesa Solar Sox (TB)
- 25. Colson Montgomery - SS, Glendale Desert Dogs (CHW)
- 27. Colt Emerson - SS, Peoria Javelinas (SEA)
- 34. Cole Young - SS, Peoria Javelinas (SEA)
- 39. Chace DeLauter - OF, Surprise Saguaros (CLE)
- 41. Moises Ballesteros - C/1B, Mesa Solar Sox (CHI)
- 44. Leodalis De Vries - SS, Peoria Javelinas (SD)
- 50. Bryce Eldridge - 1B, Scottsdale Scorpions (SF)
- 53. Jett Williams - SS/OF, Scottsdale Scorpions (NYM)
- 67. Edwin Arroyo - SS, Glendale Desert Dogs (CIN)
- 76. Drew Gilbert - OF, Scottsdale Scorpions (NYM)
- 78. Termarr Johnson - 2B, Scottsdale Scorpions (PIT)

### Today's Notes & Headlines

The Arizona Fall League returns for its 32nd year. The Arizona Fall League is designed to serve as the "finishing school" of the minor leagues for players, coaches, umpires and aspiring employees.

This season's crop of players features 14 on MLB Pipeline's Top 100 overall prospect list, headlined by a Top-20 trio of No. 15 prospect 1B/LHP Jac Caglianone (Kansas City Royals), No. 17 C Ethan Salas (San Diego Padres) and No. 18 1B Xavier Isaac (Tampa Bay Rays).

The AFL's six coaching staffs are managed by the following individuals: Ben Johnson (Glendale; St. Louis Cardinals), Andy Schatzley (Mesa; Los Angeles Angels), Ryan Scott (Peoria; Seattle Mariners), Tyler Smarslok (Salt River; Minnesota Twins), Dennis Pelfrey (Scottsdale; San Francisco Giants) and Roberto Mercado (Surprise; Baltimore Orioles).

Season highlights include the AFL Home Run Derby on Friday, November 8 and the annual AFL Fall Stars Game on Saturday, November 9. Both events will take place at Sloan Park. The AFL seasons concludes with the Championship Game on Saturday, November 16 at Salt River Fields. The Fall Stars Game and Championship Game will air LIVE on MLB Network, MLB.com and the MLB App.

The Surprise Saguaros are two-time defending champions after winning the AFL in both 2022 (over Glendale) and 2023 (over Peoria). The last team to win three of more titles in a row was Phoenix Desert Dogs (5 from 2004-08).

### Upcoming Games & Probable Pitchers

#### Monday, October 7

Surprise @ Mesa (6:30) RHP Leandro Lopez (TEX) vs. RHP Jake Walkinshaw (OAK)

#### Tuesday, October 8

Peoria @ Glendale (1:30) RHP Gabe Mosser (SD) vs. RHP Grant Taylor (CWS)  
Scottsdale @ Salt River (6:30) RHP Rayner Castillo (DET) vs. RHP Dylan Ray (ARI)

#### Wednesday, October 9

Peoria @ Surprise (1:30) LHP Patrick Montverde (MIA) vs. RHP Luinder Avila (KC)  
Salt River @ Glendale (1:30) LHP Yu-Min Lin (ARI) vs. RHP Connor Phillips (CIN)  
Mesa @ Scottsdale (6:30) RHP Cooper Adams (BOS) vs. RHP Cale Lansville (SF)

### Weekly Batting Practice & Infield/Outfield

This week's batting practice & infield/outfield days are as follows:  
Monday 10/7 & Tuesday 10/8

1:30 Game - Home I/O: 9:45 am, Home BP: 10:10 am, Visitor BP: 11:25 am, Visitor I/O: 12:35 pm  
6:30 Game - Home I/O 2:45 pm, Home BP: 3:10 pm, Visitor BP: 4:25 pm, Visitor I/O: 5:35 pm

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