

ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

GAME NOTES  WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2022



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AFL Standings

W-L GB

Surprise Saguaros	7-1	—
Peoria Javelinas	6-2	1
Glendale Desert Dogs	5-3	2
Mesa Solar Sox	3-5	4
Scottsdale Scorpions	3-5	4
Salt River Rafters	0-8	7

Today's Games

Mesa @ Peoria

Peoria Sports Complex - 12:35 p.m.

Mesa

RHP Ryan Cusick (OAK)
1-0, 0.00 ERA

Peoria

RHP Christian Scott (NYM)
0-0, 15.43 ERA

Scottsdale @ Salt River

Salt River Fields at Talking Stick - 6:35 p.m.

Scottsdale

RHP Allan Winans (ATL)
0-0, 0.00 ERA

Salt River

RHP Anders Tolhurst (TOR)
0-1, 27.00 ERA

Off Day:

Glendale Desert Dogs
Surprise Saguaros



Today's Headlines

Andy Pages (LAD) cashed in two home runs for the Glendale Desert Dogs on Tuesday night, driving in two of his team's 20 runs in a victory over the Salt River Rafters. Pages currently holds an AFL slash of .333/.400/.667, and is tied for the AFL lead with two home runs.

T.J. Sikkema (KC) tossed four innings of one-run baseball for the Surprise Saguaros on Tuesday, collecting a win in his team's 3-2 victory over the Mesa Solar Sox. Sikkema allowed two hits and two walks, holding an even 1.00 WHIP on the afternoon.

Austin Martin (MIN) had a five-RBI showing for the Glendale Desert Dogs on Tuesday, going 4-for-6 with a double and home run. Through six games of action, Martin is 12-for-24 in the Fall League with a .500/.581/.708 slash.

Ryan Middendorf (MIL) pitched two innings in relief for the Glendale Desert Dogs on Tuesday, striking out five batters in two innings of work. The right-hander worked around a hit and walk, lowering his Fall League ERA to a 3.86 in 4 2/3 combined innings.

Jose Caballero (SEA) went 3-for-5 on Tuesday for the Peoria Javelinas, driving in four runs in his team's 10-6 victory over the Scottsdale Scorpions. Caballero is now 5-for-11 to begin his 2022 Fall League campaign; this year is his third in the AFL.

The Surprise Saguaros have maintained the best record (7-1), run differential (+17) and fewest runs allowed (34) in the Fall League through eight days of game action. Surprise has allowed 18 fewer runs than the league's second-lowest runs allowed total (Peoria, 52).

Weekly Batting Practice Schedule

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

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 is required on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Schedule is subject to change.

Upcoming Games and Probable Starters

Thursday, October 13

Peoria @ Salt River	12:35 p.m.	Hunter Stanley (CLE) vs. Chad Patrick (ARI)
Scottsdale @ Surprise	12:35 p.m.	Will Bednar (SF) vs. Rhett Kouba (HOU)
Glendale @ Mesa	6:35 p.m.	Chase Solesky (CWS) vs. Alex Ayala (TB)

Friday, October 14

Scottsdale @ Glendale	12:35 p.m.	Connor Van Scoyoc (LAA) vs. TBD
Mesa @ Surprise	12:35 p.m.	J.T. Ginn (OAK) vs. Colton Gordon (HOU)
Peoria @ Salt River	6:35 p.m.	Mike Vasil (NYM) vs. Matt Walker (DET)

AFL Player Profile



Noelvi Marte

CIN - Glendale Desert Dogs

Bats: R Throws: R

Height: 6-1 Weight: 181 lb

Born: October 16, 2001

Birthplace: Cotui, D.R.

Favorite Emoji:



Career if not a baseball player:

Accountant

Favorite AFL hat (other than Glendale):

Scottsdale Scorpions

Favorite road ballpark in the AFL:

Salt River Fields at Talking Stick

Arizona Fall League Alumni Spotlight

Albert Pujols (Scottsdale Scorpions, 2000) was selected in the 13th round of the 1999 MLB Draft out of Metropolitan Community College-Maple Woods (MO). He made his way to the Fall League just months before his eventual MLB debut with the St. Louis Cardinals in 2001, going on to play a combined 22 seasons with the Cardinals, Angels and Dodgers. A three-time MVP, 11-time All-Star, two-time Gold Glove Award winner, six-time Silver Slugger and two-time World Series champion, Pujols hit his 700th career home run in September of this year. He posted a career .296/.374/.544 batting slash in 3,080 MLB games.

AFL Player Notebook

Glendale Desert Dogs

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

#22 Jake Gozzo - Cincinnati Reds

Pitched exclusively with High-A Dayton in 2022, posting a 3.95 ERA in 41 innings with 36 strikeouts. Holds a career 4.42 ERA in the Minors (77 1/3 IP). Played collegiately at Orange Coast College (CA) and Oklahoma Baptist University. Born in Shawnee, Oklahoma.

#14 Je'Von Ward - Milwaukee Brewers

Played exclusively with High-A Wisconsin in 2021, posting a .259/.312/.387 slash in 75 games. Selected in the 12th round of the 2017 MLB Draft out of Richard Gahr High School (CA). Career .288/.260/.332 batting slash in the Minors (280 games).

#53 Lane Ramsey - Chicago White Sox

Selected in the 23rd round of the 2018 MLB Draft out of the University of Oklahoma. Began his collegiate career at Newman University (KS) in 2015. Pitched a combined 25 1/3 innings in 2022 between Triple-A Charlotte (20 2/3 IP), Single-A Kannapolis (3) and the Arizona Complex League (1 2/3).

Mesa Solar Sox

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

#10 Zack Gelof - Oakland Athletics

MLB Pipeline's 98th-ranked overall prospect. Selected in the second round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of the University of Virginia. Posted a combined .270/.352/.463 slash in 2022 between Double-A Midland and Triple-A Las Vegas. A Delaware native; only such player in the AFL this year.

#29 Chandler Jozwiak - Miami Marlins

Selected in the 13th round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of Texas A&M. Pitched a combined 57 1/3 innings in 2022 between Single-A Jupiter (13 1/3 IP), High-A Beloit (34) and Double-A Pensacola (10), posting a combined 2.35 ERA. Holds a career 2.84 ERA in the Minors (66 2/3 IP).

Today's Starting Pitcher

#36 Ryan Cusick - Oakland Athletics

24th-overall selection in the 2021 MLB Draft from Wake Forest. Pitched 41 innings with Double-A Midland in 2022, posting a 7.02 ERA with 43 strikeouts. 59 1/3 career innings in the Minors with a 5.92 ERA. Played one collegiate summer in the Cape Cod Baseball League (Bourne Braves, 2019).



Peoria Javelinas

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

#12 Spencer Packard - Seattle Mariners

Attended Arizona Western College before transferring to Campbell University. Selected in the ninth round of the 2021 MLB Draft. Played in 69 games for High-A Everett in 2022, posting a .282/.397/.490 slash. Posted a 1.118 OPS in his final collegiate season at Campbell. Born in Tucson, Arizona.

#12 Tirso Ornelas - San Diego Padres

Played 115 games in 2022 between Double-A San Antonio (112) and Triple-A El Paso (3), posting a combined .286/.353/.404 slash. Played 60 games in the Mexican Pacific Winter League in 2021-22. Made his organizational debut with the Padres at 17 years old (2017).

Today's Starting Pitcher

#45 Christian Scott - New York Mets

Selected in the fifth round of the 2021 MLB Draft out of the University of Florida. Pitched a combined 58 2/3 innings in 2022 between Single-A St. Lucie and High-A Brooklyn, posting a combined 4.45 ERA and 1.415 WHIP. Born in Coconut Creek, Florida.

Surprise Saguaros

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

#30 Brett Schulze - Philadelphia Phillies

Selected in the seventh round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of the University of Minnesota. Pitched 25 2/3 innings in 2022 between Double-A Reading (6 1/3 IP), High-A Jersey Shore (13 1/3), Single-A Clearwater (3) and the Florida Complex League (3 IP), posting a combined 3.16 ERA.

#28 Trevor Hauver - Texas Rangers

Born in Chandler, Arizona. Played three collegiate seasons at Arizona State before his selection in the third round of the 2022 MLB Draft. Attended Perry High School in Gilbert, Arizona. Played for High-A Hickory and Double-A Frisco in 2022. Went 2-for-2 with a home run on AFL Opening Day.

#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), High-A Greensboro (22), Single-A Bradenton (5) and the Florida Complex League (1). Helped lead Louisville to the College World Series in 2019.

Salt River Rafter

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

#19 Kyle Backhus - Arizona Diamondbacks

Pitched 52 1/3 innings in 2022 between Double-A Amarillo (13 1/3 IP) and High-A Hillsboro (39), posting a combined 3.27 ERA with 78 strikeouts. Played five collegiate seasons at Sam Houston State University. Holds a career 3.68 ERA in the Minors (78 1/3 IP).

#16 Tanner Morris - Toronto Blue Jays

Selected in the fifth round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of the University of Virginia. Played 74 games in 2022 between Double-A New Hampshire (43) and Triple-A Buffalo (31), posting a combined .258/.399/.353 slash. Holds a career .267/.387/.372 slash in the Minors (241 games).

Today's Starting Pitcher

#34 Anders Tolhurst - Toronto Blue Jays

Pitched 12 1/3 innings in 2022 between Single-A Dunedin and the Florida Complex League, recording a combined 3.65 ERA with 20 strikeouts. Selected in the 23rd round of the 2019 MLB Draft out of Grossmont College (CA). Born in Santee, California.

Scottsdale Scorpions

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

#11 Werner Blakely - Los Angeles Angels

Selected in the fourth round of the 2020 MLB Draft out of Detroit Edison High School (MI). Played exclusively with Single-A Inland Empire in 2022, posting a .295/.447/.470 slash in 55 games. Played exclusively in the Arizona Complex League in 2021 (44 games).

#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.

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, October 15

Chase Field

Game 1 begins at 11:35 a.m. MST



Saturday, November 5

Sloan Park

6:35 p.m. MST



Sunday, November 6

Sloan Park

5:00 p.m. MST



Friday, November 11

Peoria Sports Complex

6:35 p.m. MST



Saturday, November 12

Scottsdale Stadium

5:00 p.m. MST

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