

ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

GAME NOTES - MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023



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AFL Standings	W-L	GB	Streak
Peoria Javelinas	5-0-1		W5
Scottsdale Scorpions	3-2-1	2	L2
Mesa Solar Sox	3-3	2.5	W2
Surprise Saguaros	3-3	2.5	W2
Salt River Rafters	2-4	3.5	L2
Glendale Desert Dogs	1-5	4.5	L3

#10 Things (Twitter-Friendly Notes)

1. After an 18 run, 18 hit outburst Saturday night at Salt River, Peoria is batting .326 as a team and has scored 66 runs (11 per game). Surprise has the second most runs in #AFL23 with 35.

2. Peoria is the only team in #AFL23 with a positive run differential through the first week.

3. San Diego's Jakob Marsee (INF/San Diego) posted a slash line of .571/.630/1.095 in the first week. His batting average leads the league along with his 23 total bases – nine more than anyone else – and he is tied for the league lead in doubles (three) and home runs (two).

4. Ricky Tiedemann (LHP/Toronto) is on the mound for his second outing this fall. Tiedemann is MLB Pipeline's No. 31 prospect and leads the league in innings pitched (5.0) and is tied for the lead in strikeouts (seven) with two others.

5. After Scottsdale went four games without a loss, their current two-game skid allowed Mesa and Surprise to equal the Scorpions in the win column.

6. The two highest rated pitchers in #AFL23, Tiedemann and No. 54 Jackson Jobe (RHP/Detroit) will start Monday.

7. The Glendale Desert Dogs have had success on the mound, tossing a league-best 2.92 team ERA. Despite being 1-5, Glendale has allowed the fewest runs, hits, homers and are tied for the fewest walks allowed in #AFL23.

8. In one week of #AFL23, three men have four stolen bases; Gavin Cross (OF/Kansas City), Brett Harris (INF/Oakland) and Jakob Marsee (INF/San Diego). Only three men have had more than 20 steals in AFL history. Rick Holifield holds the record (24, 1994.)

9. Sterlin Thompson (OF/Colorado), batting sixth today, is one of two players hitting at least .500 with five games played.

10. The Hitter and Pitcher of the Week Presented by NFP will be announced Tuesday.

League Notes

- Saturday features the second Jewel Event of #AFL23 with the Goodyear Ballpark Tripleheader. It is the only chance for media and fans to see all six Fall League teams in one location.

- MLB Clubs have all sent one extra pitcher to #AFL 23 than in years past, giving each Fall League team 30 total pitchers.

- In 2023, 34 AFL alumni from 2022 made their Major League debuts, including reigning league MVP Heston Kjerstad (BAL) and Breakout Player of the Year Edouard Julien.

Today's Headlines

Surprise @ Peoria - MLB Pipeline No. 31 Ricky Tiedemann (LHP/Toronto) made his first #AFL23 start Tuesday, tossing 5.0 innings of one-run baseball, allowing three hits. His seven strikeouts from the outing are tied for the league lead.

He faced 19 batters and threw 77 pitches (44 strikes). Tiedemann had a 3.68 ERA in 15 starts and 44 innings in the Minor Leagues last season. He is tasked with knocking off the undefeated Peoria Javelinas and their 11 runs per game. He is opposite of Patrick Wicklander (LHP/ Tampa Bay), who allowed four runs on five hits over 2.1 innings in his lone outing this Fall season.

The high temperature for the 2:30 p.m. start is an expected 98 degrees in Peoria.

Scottsdale @ Salt River - There is no shortage of elite pitching today in #AFL23, with MLB Pipeline No. 54 Jackson Jobe (RHP/Detroit) starting for Salt River. Jobe hurled four shutout innings while allowing just two hits and four strikeouts while picking up the win for the Rafters Monday. He completed his four innings with just 55 pitches (31 strikes).

Jack Choate (LHP/San Francisco) threw two shutout frames, allowing just one hit while striking out four in his first #AFL23 outing. His pitch count ran high, needing 45 pitches for the six outs (27 strikes).

Glendale @ Mesa - Zach Penrod (LHP/Boston) makes his second start of #AFL23. He allowed one run on three hits over four innings for Glendale last Monday. He threw 55 pitches (31 strikes).

Royber Salinas (RHP/Oakland) threw two innings of no-hit baseball in Mesa's season opener, striking out one. He threw 28 pitches (16 strikes).

Upcoming Games and Probable Pitchers

Monday, October 9

Surprise @ Peoria	2:30	LHP Ricky Tiedemann vs. LHP Patrick Wicklander
Scottsdale @ Salt River	6:30	LHP Jack Choate vs. RHP Jackson Jobe
Glendale @ Mesa	6:30	LHP Zach Penrod vs. RHP Royber Salinas

Tuesday, October 10

Peoria @ Glendale	6:30	RHP Logan Workman vs. LHP Jake Eder
Surprise @ Scottsdale	6:30	RHP Zak Kent vs. RHP Tekoah Roby
Mesa @ Salt River	6:30	RHP Carter Baumler vs. RHP Dylan Smith

Wednesday, October 11

Glendale @ Surprise	2:30	RHP Kendall Williams vs. LHP Angel Zerna
Mesa @ Scottsdale	6:30	RHP Nick Hull vs. LHP DJ Herz
Peoria @ Salt River	6:30	RHP Ike Buxton vs. LHP Blake Walston

Weekly Batting Practice & Infield/Outfield

Tuesdays and **Fridays** are the current mandatory batting practice and I/O days. The schedule is below.

2:30 - Home I/O: 10:45 a.m., Home BP: 11:10 a.m., Visitor BP: 12:25 p.m., Visitor I/O: 1:35 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.