# **ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE**

## **GAME NOTES - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023**













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#### AFL Standings W-L GB **Streak** W6 Peoria Javelinas 6-0-1 Scottsdale Scorpions 3-3-1 3 L3 Mesa Solar Sox L1 3-4 3.5 Salt River Rafters 3-4 3.5 W1 **Surprise Saguaros** 3-4 3.5 L1 Glendale Desert Dogs 2-5 4.5 L1

#### #10Things (Twitter-Friendly Notes)

- 1. The Peoria Javelinas continued their unbeaten start to #AFL23, withstanding five innings of two run baseball from MLB Pipeline No. 31 Ricky Tiedemann (LHP/Toronto) to win their sixth straight contest, 5-3, Monday.
- 2. The two-run winning margin was Peoria's closest this season.
- 3. Despite picking up a loss Monday, Zach Penrod (LHP/Boston) has been strong this season for Glendale, pitching eight innings over two starts, allowing just four hits and one total run while striking out nine.
- 4. Sterlin Thompson (OF/Colorado) has been on a tear through his first six #AFL23 games. He is 11-21 (.524) with two doubles, two triples. two stolen bases and four RBI.
- 5. Logan Workman (RHP/Tampa Bay) is making his second start of the season for Peoria today. He pitched 4.2 shutout innings, allowing three hits last Tuesday at Surprise.
- 6. Glendale shut out Mesa in a 2-0 road victory last night. The Desert Dogs have a 2.49 team ERA, nearly two full runs better than the second placed squad (Scottsdale, 4.41).
- 7. No. 54 MLB Pipeline prospect Jackson Jobe (RHP/Detroit) picked up his second win of the 2023 season, going 4.0 innings, allowing two runs on three hits, while striking out four.
- 8. Wes Clarke (INF/Milwaukee) has increased his slugging percentage each of the last three days and is currently slashing .350/.435/.900. He is second in the league with 18 total bases.
- 9. Clarke now leads the league in homers with three after blasting his second in as many games last night against Peoria.
- 10. Glendale's offense has seen an impact from Yeiner Fernandez (INF/Los Angeles Dodgers). He's hitting .417 with three extra base hits and four walks to zero strikeouts.

#### AFL in the MLB Playoffs

- Of the 208 players in the Divisional Round of the MLB Playoffs, 83 are AFL alumni.
- Over 40% of active playoff players have played in the AFL.
- There are multiple sets of AFL teammates together in the MLB playoffs, including AFL MVP Ronald Acuña Jr. and Max Fried (ATL/Peoria, 2017)
- -The Phillies lead playoff MLB teams in AFL alumni with 16.
- 2022 AFL alumni in the MLB playoffs include MVP Heston Kjerstad, Breakout Player of the Year Edouard Julien, Johan Rojas and Emmett Sheehan.

### Today's Headlines

**Peoria** @ **Glendale** - The best pitching staff in #AFL23 meets the best offense, as Glendale tries to stifle Peoria tonight at Camelback Ranch. The Javelinas send Logan Workman to the mound for his second start. His road effort against Surprise last week aided in a Javelinas win against No. 31 MLB Pipeline Prospect Ricky Tiedemann (LHP/Toronto).

Glendale sends Jake Eder (LHP/Chicago White Sox) out for his second start after going three no-hit innings last Tuesday at Scottsdale. He needed 52 pitches in the effort with 31 strikes.

**Surprise** @ **Scottsdale** - Zak Kent (RHP/Texas) is looking to rebound for Surprise tonight after allowing two runs on four hits, including a homer, in three innings last week. Kent pitched to a 4.87 ERA in 40.2 innings during the Minor League regular season, peaking at Round Rock (AAA).

After tossing just 12.0 regular season innings in 2023, Tekoah Roby (RHP/St. Louis) was sharp last week. He went 3.0 shutout frames, allowing one hit while striking out five and walking none. Scottsdale is looking to snap a three-game skid.

**Mesa** @ **Salt River** - Carter Baumler (RHP/Baltimore) gets the start behind a Mesa offense that did not put a run on the board Monday night. He went 3.0 innings last week, striking out seven while walking just one. In the regular season, Baumler struck out 21 batters in 17 innings.

Dylan Smith (RHP/Detroit) went a disappointing 2.1 innings and five runs on eight hits and two homers last week. Salt River is looking to equal its longest winning streak of the season.

Upcoming Games and Probable Pitchers		
Tuesday, October 10		
Peoria @ Glendale Surprise @ Scottsdale Mesa @ Salt River	6:30 6:30 6:30	RHP Logan Workman vs. LHP Jake Eder RHP Zak Kent vs. RHP Tekoah Roby RHP Carter Baumler vs. RHP Dylan Smith
Wednesday, October 11		
Glendale @ Surprise Mesa @ Scottsdale Peoria @ Salt River	2:30 2:30 6:30	RHP Kendall Williams vs. LHP Angel Zerpa RHP Nick Hull vs. LHP DJ Herz RHP Ike Buxton vs. LHP Blake Walston
Thursday, October 12		
Surprise @ Salt River Scottsdale @ Glendale Mesa @ Peoria	6:30 6:30 6:30	RHP Trent Palmer vs. RHP J.C. Flowers RHP Christian McGowan vs. LHP Jordan Carr RHP Tyler Guilfoil vs. LHP Ryan Webb

#### **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.