ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE

GAME NOTES - MONDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2023













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AFL Standings W-L-T GB Streak W1 Surprise Saguaros 14-9 Peoria Javelinas 12-10-1 1.5 W2 **Scottsdale Scorpions** L2 12-10-1 1.5 Salt River Rafters 12-11 2.0 W3 Glendale Desert Dogs 9-14 L4 5.0 Mesa Solar Sox L1 9-14 5.0

#10Things (Twitter-Friendly Notes)

- 1. With the World Series in Phoenix, #AFL23 moved the start time for today's contest between Salt River and Glendale at Camelback Ranch to 2:30 p.m.
- 2. The 1.5 game gap between Surprise and Peoria/Scottsdale is the largest difference between the top two teams in the #AFL23 standings since Peoria entered play on October 14 the Goodyear Tripleheader 1.5 games ahead of Surprise.
- 3. The Javelinas ended week four of the #AFL23 slate with consecutive victories. Despite that, they have dropped 10 of their last 15 contests since starting 7-0-1.
- 4. Jakob Marsee (INF/San Diego) leads #AFL23 with 14 stolen bases. The AFL record sits at 24 (Rick Holifield, 1994). Only three men have eclipsed 20 in a season.
- 5. Ben Cowles (INF/New York Yankees) and Caleb Durbin (INF/New York Yankees) have been on a tear for Mesa. Cowles has the longest active hitting streak in #AFL23 at 10 games (10/10 10/27) and Durbin is right behind him at nine (10/13 10/27).
- Kala'i Rosario (OF/Minnesota) took the #AFL23 home run lead Saturday with his sixth blast of the season. He leads Kyle Manzardo (INF/Cleveland) and Aaron Sabato (INF/Minnesota), who each have five.
- 7. Zach Penrod (LHP/Boston) threw 3.0 innings of shutout, two-hit baseball Saturday for Glendale. He is the #AFL23 active ERA leader at 1.29 in four starts and 14.0 innings pitched.
- 8. Davis Daniel (RHP/Los Angeles Angels) has the fourth-best ERA in #AFL23 at 1.89. He has a league-high 19.0 innings pitched.
- 9. Salt River has the longest active winning streak at three.
- 10. The Fall League will host its second annual Home Run Derby this Saturday at 6:30 p.m. and the Fall Stars game will follow on MLB Network this Sunday at 6:00 p.m., both at Sloan Park.

AFL in the World Series

The 2023 World Series is littered with Arizona Fall League alumni. The Arizona Diamondbacks and the Texas Rangers each have 11 players on the roster who played in the AFL.

The 22 total alumni mark 42% (22/50) players in the 2023 World Series that are AFL alums. Jordan Lawlar (INF/Diamondbacks) was with the Salt River Rafters during the 2022 season.

The last nine World Series MVPs have all played in the Arizona Fall League.

Today's Headlines

Scottsdale @ **Surprise** - Jack Choate (LHP/San Francisco) makes his fifth start for the Scorpions today. He is 0-1 with a 6.97 ERA in 10.1 innings pitched. He has allowed eight runs on 11 hits, striking out 16 while walking nine. He has thrown 223 pitches (130 strikes) this fall.

In his last outing, Choate tossed 3.0 innings, allowing four runs on three hits, striking out five and walking three. The four runs were the most he had allowed in a #AFL23 outing, as were his five strikeouts.

Joseph Hernandez (RHP/Milwaukee) is making his first start this season after having made three relief appearances. He has a 15.19 ERA with 10 runs on 15 hits in 5.1 innings pitched. Opponents are hitting .469 against Hernandez and he has thrown 148 pitches (80 strikes).

Scottsdale enters the contest on a two-game skid, including Saturday's loss at Surprise. The Saguaros have a 1.5 game lead atop the #AFL23 standings entering the final two weeks of play.

Salt River @ **Glendale** - Darius Vines (RHP/Atlanta) makes his third start of the fall season. He has a 1-0 record with a 3.24 ERA in 8.1 innings pitched. Vines pitched to a 1-0 record with a 3.98 ERA in 20.1 Major League innings for the Braves during the regular season. He has thrown 136 pitches (85 strikes) and opponents are hitting a mere .194 against him.

Jake Eder (LHP/Chicago White Sox) has made four starts in #AFL23, pitching to a 5.11 ERA in 12.1 innings of work. He has struck out 14 and walked eight, allowing seven runs on 13 hits. He has thrown 229 pitches (144 strikes) this fall season.

Salt River has won three straight contests and are playing against the Desert Dogs for the second consecutive contest.

Upcoming Games and Probable Pitchers Monday, October 30		
Salt River @ Glendale	2:30	RHP Darius Vines vs. LHP Jake Eder
Tuesday, October 31		
Peoria @ Scottsdale	2:30	TBD vs. RHP Tekoah Roby
Salt River @ Mesa	2:30	RHP Dylan Dodd vs. RHP Royber Salinas
Wednesday, November 1		
Salt River @ Peoria	2:30	RHP Case Williams vs. TBD
Mesa @ Scottsdale	6:30	RHP Tyler Santana vs. RHP DJ Herz
Glendale @ Surprise	6:30	TBD vs. RHP Zak Kent

Weekly Batting Practice & Infield/Outfield

The on-field BP will be requirement for this week will be **Thursday**.

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.