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**Facts**

- Over 1,800 former Fall Leaguers have reached the major leagues
- 159 MLB All-Stars including 45 in 2010
- 7 MLB MVPs
  - Jason Giambi
  - Ryan Howard
  - Joe Mauer
  - Justin Morneau
  - Dustin Pedroia
  - Albert Pujols
  - Jimmy Rollins
- 3 Cy Young Award winners
  - Chris Carpenter
  - Roy Halladay
  - Brandon Webb
- 20 MLB Rookies-of-the-Year
- 3 World Series MVPs
- 7 All-Star Game MVPs
- 48 MLB Silver Sluggers
- 41 MLB Gold Glove Awards
- 9 MLB batting champions
- 12 MLB season hits leaders
- 8 MLB season RBI leaders
- 7 MLB season homer leaders
- 11 MLB season stolen-base leaders
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**5th Annual Rising Stars Game Saturday At Surprise**

**Phoenix** — The Arizona Fall League, known throughout professional baseball as a finishing school for Major League Baseball’s elite prospects, stages its fifth annual Rising Stars Game at 9 p.m. ET (6 p.m. AZ) on Saturday, November 6 at Surprise Stadium. The contest will be nationally televised by MLB Network and online via MLB.com (MLB.TV).

Scouting and minor-league directors of every major-league organization, in consultation with Fall League Director **Steve Cobb** and his baseball personnel staff, selected the players for the showcase. Each major-league organization is represented by at least one player.

Saturday’s contest pits standouts from the Fall League’s East and West divisions. The East Division roster fields players from the Mesa Solar Sox (Angels, Cubs, Mets, Phillies, Pirates), Phoenix Desert Dogs (Athletics, Braves, Dodgers, Marlins, Yankees) and Scottsdale Scorpions (Diamondbacks, Giants, Nationals, Orioles, Rockies). The West Division roster is stocked from the Peoria Javelinas (Astros, Blue Jays, Indians, Mariners, Red Sox), Peoria Saguaros (Padres, Rays, Reds, Twins, White Sox) and Surprise Rafters (Brewers, Cardinals, Rangers, Royals, Tigers).

The coaching staffs of the two division-leading teams through play of Saturday, October 30 earned the right to manage Saturday’s contest. Scorpions manager **Randy Knorr** and his staff — pitching coach **Blaine Beatty** (Orioles) and hitting coach **Alan Zinter** (Diamondbacks) — lead the East Division. Rafters manager **Mike Guerrero** (Brewers) and his staff — pitching coaches **Brad Holman** (Rangers) and **Ray Burris** (Tigers) and hitting coach **Derrick May** (Cardinals) — guide the West Division.

**TV** — Diamondbacks television play-by-play voice **Daron Sutton** and MLB Network personality and former major-league catcher **Dave Valle** describe the action to the television audience.

**Impact** — The impact of the Rising Stars Game is undeniable. Last year’s 50-man rosters produced 28 players who appeared in the major leagues in 2010.

The following players were Rising Stars in the first four years.

<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Ryan Braun	Reid Brignac	Gordon Beckham	Domonic Brown
Jacoby Ellsbury	Dexter Fowler	Emmanuel Burris	Starlin Castro
Yunel Escobar	Brett Gardner	Tommy Hanson	Ike Davis
J.A. Happ	Matt LaPorta	Phil Hughes	Chris Heisey
Chase Headley	Jed Lowrie	Austin Jackson	Mike Leake
Kevin Kouzmanoff	Andrew McCutchen	Bud Norris	Buster Posey
Mike Pelfrey	Sean Rodriguez	Rusty Ryal	Drew Storen
Hunter Pence	Max Scherzer	Drew Stubbs	Stephen Strasburg
Troy Tulowitzki	Ryan Sweeney	Matt Wieters	Jose Tabata

Complete 2010 Rising Stars Game rosters follow.

Following Saturday’s “Rising Stars Game,” the six-team Arizona Fall League resumes play on Monday, November 8 and continues with games Monday-Saturday through Thursday, November 18.

The league championship game will be staged on Saturday, November 20 at 3 p.m. ET (1 p.m. AZ) at Scottsdale Stadium. It also will be televised by MLB Network and online via MLB.com.

For current Arizona Fall League information, including pitch-by-pitch gamecasts by Baseball Advanced Media, visit [www.mlbfallball.com](http://www.mlbfallball.com). Also follow the Fall League via Twitter/mlbazfallleague and Facebook/mlbfallleague.

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# East Division Rising Stars

**Angels, Athletics, Braves, Cubs, Diamondbacks, Dodgers, Giants,  
Marlins, Mets, Nationals, Orioles, Phillies, Pirates, Rockies, Yankees**

**Manager:** Randy Knorr (WAS)  
**Pitching Coach:** Blaine Beatty (BAL)  
**Hitting Coach:** Alan Zinter (ARI)  
**Trainers:** Chris Dovey (COL)  
 Eric Ortega (SF)

**As of November 2, 2010**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Pitchers</b>	<b>AFL</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Ht.</b>	<b>Wt.</b>	<b>DOB</b>	<b>Birthplace</b>	<b>2010 Club</b>
59	Manny Banuelos	PDD	NYN	L	L	5-10	155	03/13/91	Monterrey, MX	Trenton (AA)
29	Bruce Billings	SCO	COL	R	R	6-0	200	11/18/85	San Diego, CA	Tulsa (AA)
17	Rex Brothers	SCO	COL	L	L	6-0	205	12/18/87	Chapel Hill, TN	Tulsa (AA)
51	Chris Carpenter	MSS	CHC	R	R	6-4	215	12/26/85	Bryan, OH	Iowa (AAA)
47	Steve Cishek	PDD	FLA	R	R	6-6	200	06/18/86	Falmouth, MA	Jacksonville (AA)
79	Justin De Fratus	MSS	PHI	S	R	6-4	215	10/21/87	Ventura, CA	Reading (AA)
27	Scott Elbert	PDD	LAD	L	L	6-1	215	08/13/85	Joplin, MO	Albuquerque (AAA)
54	Brad Holt	MSS	NYM	R	R	6-4	194	10/13/87	Albemarle, NC	Binghamton (AA)
28	Cole Kimball	SCO	WSH	R	R	6-3	225	08/01/85	Brooklyn, NY	Harrisburg (AA)
85	Eddie McKiernan	MSS	LAA	R	R	5-11	160	03/21/89	Pasadena, CA	Rancho Cucamonga (A)
59	Josh Zeid	MSS	PHI	R	R	6-5	210	03/24/87	New Haven, CT	Lakewood (A)
<b>No.</b>	<b>Catchers</b>	<b>AFL</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Ht.</b>	<b>Wt.</b>	<b>DOB</b>	<b>Birthplace</b>	<b>2010 Club</b>
12	Austin Romine	PDD	NYN	R	R	6-1	195	11/22/88	Lake Forest, CA	Trenton (AA)
22	Tony Sanchez	MSS	PIT	R	R	6-0	213	05/20/88	Miami, FL	Altoona (AA)
<b>No.</b>	<b>Infielders</b>	<b>AFL</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Ht.</b>	<b>Wt.</b>	<b>DOB</b>	<b>Birthplace</b>	<b>2010 Club</b>
13	Ryan Adams	SCO	BAL	R	R	6-0	195	04/21/87	New Orleans, LA	Bowie (AA)
37	Brandon Belt	SCO	SF	L	L	6-5	195	04/20/88	Houston, TX	Fresno (AAA)
10	Charlie Culberson	SCO	SF	R	R	6-1	185	04/10/89	Calhoun, GA	San Jose (A)
6	Tyler Pastornicky	PDD	ATL	R	R	5-11	170	12/13/89	Bradenton, FL	Mississippi (AA)
74	Andrew Romine	MSS	LAA	S	R	6-1	190	12/24/85	Winter Haven, FL	Arkansas (AA)
4	Jordany Valdespin	MSS	NYM	L	R	6-0	174	12/23/87	San Pedro de Mac., DR	Binghamton (AA)
15	Josh Vitters	MSS	CHC	R	R	6-2	200	08/27/89	Anaheim, CA	Tennessee (AA)
<b>No.</b>	<b>Outfielders</b>	<b>AFL</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Ht.</b>	<b>Wt.</b>	<b>DOB</b>	<b>Birthplace</b>	<b>2010 Club</b>
2	Mike Burgess	SCO	WSH	L	L	5-11	195	10/20/88	Tampa, FL	Harrisburg (A)
7	Marc Krauss	SCO	ARI	L	R	6-3	225	10/05/87	Deshler, OH	Visalia (High A)
25	Brandon Laird	PDD	NYN	R	R	6-1	215	09/11/87	Cypress, CA	Scranton (AAA)
7	A.J. Pollock	SCO	ARI	R	R	6-2	200	12/05/87	Hebron, CT	Visalia (High A)
62	Trayvon Robinson	PDD	LAD	S	R	5-11	195	09/01/87	Los Angeles, CA	Chattanooga (AA)

# West Division Rising Stars

**Astros, Blue Jays, Brewers, Cardinals, Indians, Mariners, Padres  
Rangers, Rays, Red Sox, Reds, Royals, Tigers, Twins, White Sox**

<b>Manager:</b>	Mike Guerrero (MIL)	<b>As of November 2, 2010</b>
<b>Pitching Coach:</b>	Ray Burris (DET) Brad Holman (TEX)	
<b>Hitting Coach:</b>	Derrick May (STL)	
<b>Trainers:</b>	Dave Iannicca (KC) Corey Tremble (DET)	

No.	Pitchers	AFL	Team	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Birthplace	2010 Club
28	Brad Brach	PES	SD	R	R	6-6	210	04/12/86	Freehold, NJ	Lake Elsinore (A)
30	Anthony Carter	PES	CWS	L	R	6-3	180	04/04/86	Decatur, GA	Birmingham (AA)
54	Fabio Castillo	SUR	TEX	R	R	6-1	235	02/19/89	Samana, DR	Bakersfield (A)
99	Josh Fields	PEJ	SEA	R	R	6-0	185	08/19/85	Hull, GA	West Tennessee (AA)
20	Carlos Gutierrez	PES	MIN	R	R	6-3	205	09/22/86	Miami, FL	New Britain (AA)
34	Colt Hynes	PES	SD	L	L	5-11	200	06/28/85	Oklahoma City, OK	San Antonio (AA)
27	Jeremy Jeffress	SUR	MIL	R	R	6-0	195	09/21/87	South Boston, VA	Huntsville (AA)
32	Mike Montgomery	SUR	KC	L	L	6-5	180	07/01/89	Valencia, CA	Northwest Arkansas (AA)
59	Chance Ruffin	SUR	DET	R	R	6-0	185	09/08/88	Philadelphia, PA	GCL Tigers (A)
18	Patrick Urckfitz	PEJ	HOU	L	L	6-3	190	07/21/88	Rochester, NY	Round Rock (AAA)
48	Philippe Valiquette	PES	CIN	L	L	6-1	205	02/14/87	Montreal, QC, CN	Louisville (AAA)

No.	Catchers	AFL	Team	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Birthplace	2010 Club
16	Ryan Lavarney	PEJ	BOS	R	R	6-4	225	08/07/87	Woodland Hills, CA	Portland (AA)
22	Devin Mesoraco	PES	CIN	R	R	6-1	220	06/19/88	Dubois, PA	Louisville (AAA)

No.	Infielders	AFL	Team	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Birthplace	2010 Club
12	Dustin Ackley	PEJ	SEA	L	R	6-1	185	02/26/88	Winston-Salem, NC	Tacoma (AAA)
44	Zack Cox	SUR	STL	L	R	6-0	215	05/09/89	Louisville, KY	GCL Cardinals (Rookie)
13	Eduardo Escobar	PES	CWS	S	R	5-10	150	01/05/89	Aragua, VZ	Birmingham (AA)
8	Johnny Giavotella	SUR	KC	R	R	5-8	185	07/10/87	Harahan, LA	Northwest Arkansas (AA)
22	Eric Hosmer	SUR	KC	L	L	6-4	215	10/24/89	Cooper City, FL	Northwest Arkansas (AA)
2	Jose Iglesias	PEJ	BOS	R	R	5-11	175	01/05/90	Havana, Cuba	Portland (AA)
20	Jason Kipnis	PEJ	CLE	L	R	5-10	175	04/03/87	Evanston, IL	Akron (AA)

No.	Outfielders	AFL	Team	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Birthplace	2010 Club
25	Leslie Anderson	PES	TB	L	L	6-1	205	03/30/82	Camaguey, Cuba	Durham (AAA)
16	Caleb Gindl	SUR	MIL	L	L	5-9	185	08/31/88	Pace, FL	Huntsville (AA)
24	Jared Mitchell	PES	CWS	L	L	6-0	205	10/13/88	New Iberia, LA	Kannapolis (A)
6	Ben Revere	PES	MIN	L	R	5-9	175	05/03/88	Atlanta, GA	New Britain (AA)
8	Eric Thames	PEJ	TOR	L	R	6-0	205	11/10/86	Santa Clara, CA	New Hampshire (AA)