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ARENA FOOTBALL ONE FEATURED THIS WEEKEND ON VICE TV

Sport: Arena Football One

Game: SW Kansas Storm (7-3) at Salina Liberty (4-5)

Date: Sunday, June 8

Time: 3:00-6:00 PM ET (*Delayed telecast; game played Saturday, June 7)

Location: Tony's Pizza Events Center, Salina, KS

TV Announcers: TBD - Play-by-Play

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Preview: This week's VICE Sports Arena Football One Game of the Week features the second-place SW Kansas Storm squaring off against the fourth-place Salina Liberty in the first game of a season-ending home-and-home series between the two teams. If the season ended today, both teams would be playoff-bound, with the Storm having already clinched a spot. SW Kansas won the one prior meeting this season between the two teams 22-20.

Coming off a bye week, the Storm ride a three-game winning streak into this weekend's game. When they last took the field, SW Kansas walloped the Washington Wolfpack 63-7. QBs Jalen Morton and Jairus Grissom combined to go 15-19 for 236 yards, tossing seven TDs (five for Morton). Morton also added 73 yards rushing. WR Demarius Washington had a huge game with six receptions for 117 yards and four TDs. Fellow wideout Charles Hall IV also had six catches for 85 yards and two TDs. Led by Morton's dual-threat ability, Southwest Kansas has been one of the best offenses in the AF1 this year. Hall and Washington are two of the league's top receivers, combining for 1,179 yards and 24 touchdowns. SW Kansas has multiple players among the league's statistical leaders: Morton ranks first with 405 yards rushing, 40.5 rushing yards/game, and 216.7 offensive yards/game; is tied for first with 12 rushing TDs; ranks second with 1,762 passing yards, 2,167 total yards of offense; and is tied for second with 33 TD passes. Washington is in a tie for third with 617 receiving yards. Defensively against Washington two weeks ago, DL Joe Golden had four tackles and three sacks, DL Marje Smith added six tackles and two sacks, and DLs Nick Evans and Robert Cooper contributed two sacks apiece. DL Michael Lawson is putting together a Defensive Player of the Year-caliber season, leading the league with 66 tackles, while teammate Dontra Matthews ranks second with 45.

Salina has won two straight games to improve their record to 4-5, which would earn them a spot in the playoffs if they started today. Last week, the Liberty demolished the Washington Wolfpack 71-4, as QBs Rakeem Cato and Javin Kilgo combined to go 20-32 for 156 yards and six TDs. WR Malik Honeycutt caught five passes for 77 yards and three TDs. Honeycutt ranks second in the league with 656 receiving yards and third with 16 TD receptions, 17 total TDs, 102 points scored, and 11.3 points/game. Cato has solidified Salina's quarterback position, protecting the

ball and throwing only three interceptions all season. Honeycutt and Tracy Brooks are fierce offensive weapons, combining for 25 touchdowns so far this season, and will test the Storm's defense on every snap on Sunday. Material from theAF1.com contributed to this preview.

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