

Episode 456

For the Week of August 23rd, 2026

Expected Results

Timestamps

- 0:00:00 - Intro
- 0:12:05 - Competitive Halo News
- 0:16:27 - Upcoming Tournaments of the Week
- 0:17:50 - Scrim & Tournament & League Recaps
- 0:45:40 - Halo News
- 0:46:33 - Shoutouts/Community Creations/Ending

On This Episode...

- Grassroots leagues are off to the races.
- We now know how some points are going to be earned for the Halo Fest Open 4v4.
- The second week of Pro League matches brought expected results.

News (Competitive)

- [NorCal \(Northern California\) Halo Website Updated](#) - by LD50
 - Hey y'all I've updated our NorCalHalo website calendar for upcoming Halo LAN dates from now til October 2027!
 - <https://norcal.pro/events/>
- [Halo Rec League Season 20 Sign-Ups Live!](#) - by Halo Rec League
 - <https://halo.esrl.gg/>
- [Halo Divisional Championship Season 5 has Begun!](#) - by Halo Divisional Championship
 - 4 Divisions
 - 25+ Teams
 - 7 Weeks of Halo Divisional Championship!
 - Join us and our players across twitch and other communities to keep up with this season!
 - <https://www.twitch.tv/halodivchampionship>
- [Grassroots Global Cups Announced](#) - by LVTHalo and European Halo League
 - We're teaming up to bring you 3 Global Open Events ahead of Halo Fest.
 - Earn yourself HCS Points too
 - Exclusive NEW drops each week!
 - TTV/LVTHalo & TTV/EuropeanHalo
 - From [HCS](#) - The following community tournaments will offer HCS Points for qualification into the Halo Infinite Open 4v4!
 - Schedule
 - August 29th - 30th
 - September 26th - 27th

- October 17th - 18th
- [Maps and Gametypes](#)
 - Slayer
 - Live Fire
 - Recharge
 - Solitude
 - Streets
 - Origin
 - CTF
 - Aquarius 5-Flag
 - Empyrean 3-Flag
 - Origin 3-Flag
 - KOTH
 - Live Fire
 - Recharge
 - Lattice
 - Streets
 - Oddball
 - Live Fire
 - Recharge
 - Lattice
 - Strongholds
 - Live Fire
 - Recharge
- Point Structure
 - DreamHack event points decayed 90%.
 - Global Open Events points follow the point structure of the previous 2K Opens.

Upcoming Tournaments of the Week - Presented By NoobCombo

- Weekly
 - [AGLA Minor Season 1 Schedule](#)
- Saturday, August 29th
 - [SWAT Nation Snipentrine 3v3](#)
- Saturday August 29th and Sunday, August 30th
 - HCS Grassroots Global Cup #1

Scrim/Tournament/League Recaps

- [Scrims Available For All Regions at HaloDataHive](#)
 - Tuesday, August 18th
 - [Shopify Rebellion 8-7 Four of a Kind](#)
 - Wednesday, August 19th
 - [AB 8-5 Incognito aka Vitality aka Retribution](#)
 - Friday, August 21st
 - [Inconceivable 7-4 FaZe](#)
 - Sunday, August 23rd
 - [FaZe 4-3 Mercenaries](#)

- [AGLA Summer League 2026 Standings](#)
 - 6th
 - Not Fast Just Furious
 - 5th
 - Reach for the Balls
 - 4th
 - Low IQ
 - 3rd
 - Chemical Imbalance
 - 2nd
 - Uncle Scorefester
 - 1st
 - Duck Dynasty
- LVT Halo Pro League Week #2 Matches Results
 - Shopify Rebellion 4-1 Nine
 - [Stats](#)
 - VODs
 - [Map Picks/Bans](#)
 - [Gameplay](#)
 - FaZe 4-2 Mercenaries
 - [Stats](#)
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 - [Gameplay](#)
 - Four of a Kind 4-1 Incognito aka Vitality aka Retribution
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 - Inconceivable 4-0 AB
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 - VODs
 - [Map Picks/Bans](#)
 - [Gameplay](#)
 - [Week 2 Standings](#)

		RECORD	MAPS	DIFF
1	FALCATED - KUHLECT - LUCID - PZNGUIN INCONCEIVABLE	2-0	8-0	+8
2	CYKUL - FROSTY - LASTSHOT - ROYAL2 SHOPIFY REBELLION	2-0	8-1	+7
3	PRECISION - SNAKEBITE - TAULEK - TRIPPY FOUR OF A KIND	2-0	8-3	+5
4	AVUCY - BUBU DUBU - CEARION - KING NICK CLOUDS	1-1	5-6	-1
5	BOUND - LQGEN - RENEGADE - STELLUR FAZE CLAN	1-1	6-6	-
6	DRUK - SAB - SOULSNIPE - SUPPRESSED MERCENARIES	0-2	4-8	-4
7	ACID - DESCENDANT - ECO - YAKZN INCOGNITO	0-2	1-8	-7
8	RYANOOB - SUPERCC - SVSPECTOR - TAPPING BUTTONS ASCENDING BASELINE	0-2	0-8	-8

News - Regular

- [Halo: Still Midnight](#) - by JumperScape Media and Halo Studios
 - Halo is celebrating 25 years together with the community, and the latest highlight in our silver anniversary is a special three-part Waypoint Chronicle.
 - Still Midnight shines a light on a group of unlikely friends meeting up for their usual card game at their usual haunt aboard the UNSC Infinity. Recollections of their adventure on Requiem is just the beginning.
 - Penned by Halo Studios and augmented through collaboration with JumperScape Media, this audio-first experience showcases incredible voice and musical talent from across the Halo Community.

Shoutouts

- Happy belated birthday to iSpiteful, Suspector, & Renegade!
- Shoutout to everyone who joined in the 8's!
- Shoutout to everyone who joined in the community playdate!
- Shoutout to everyone who followed/subbed during the live show!

Community Creations

- [Halo memes every day!](#)
- [Community Corner: JumperScape Media](#) - by Halo Studios
- [Your Halo Story: Chapter 9](#) - by Halo Studios
- [Halo Royale v1.3 Patch Notes](#) - by Skisma
 - Brand new "Re-connect" feature
 - FFA Placement Fix
 - Balancing Changes

- + More
- [Halo 2 Media Player](#) - by Generalkidd

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