

# RTH IOWA BULLS HOCKEY C

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GAME 15 - NOVEMBER 5, 2021 (7:30 P.M. at Mason City Arena - Mason City, IA)



## NORTH IOWA BULLS

8-4-0-2 (18 pts, .643) 2<sup>nd</sup>, Central Division Head Coach: Todd Sanden Assistant Coaches: Kevin Murdock, Mark Hicks

# **BISMARCK BOBCATS**

3-10-1-0 (7 pts, .250) 6th, Central Division Head Coach: Layne Sedevie Assistant Coaches: Hunter Laslo



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	SCHEDUL	E
09/15	vs. MN Wilderness	W, 5-1
09/16	vs. Jamestown	L, 4-1
09/17	vs. Amarillo	W, 4-1
09/18	vs. Kenai River	W, 6-2 L, 3-2
09/24	ABERDEEN	L, 3-2
09/25	ABERDEEN	W, 6-5
10/01	AUSTIN	<b>SOL</b> , 4-3
10/02	@ Austin	<b>W</b> , 4-2
10/08	@ Minot	W, 3-2
10/09	@ Minot	W, 6-3
10/15 10/16	MINOT	W, 3-2
10/10	@ Aberdeen	L, 6-1 L, 5-2
10/22	@ Aberdeen	SOL, 5-4
11/05	BISMARCK	7:30pm
11/06	BISMARCK	7:30pm
11/12	@ Austin	7:00pm
11/13	AUSTIN	7:30pm
11/20	@ St Cloud	7:00pm
11/26	@ Austin	7:00pm
11/27	AUSTIN	7:30pm
12/03	ST CLOUD	7:30pm
12/04	@ St Cloud	7:00pm
12/10	SPRINGFIELD	7:30pm
12/11	SPRINGFIELD	7:30pm
12/17	@ Bismarck	7:15pm
12/18	@ Bismarck	7:15pm
12/31	@ Austin AUSTIN	7:00pm
01/01 01/07	ABERDEEN	7:30pm 7:30pm
01/07	ABERDEEN	7:30pm
01/14	@ Minot	7:35pm
01/15	@ Minot	8:05pm
01/21	@ Bismarck	7:15pm
01/22	@ Bismarck	7:15pm
01/27	ST CLOUD	7:30pm
01/28	@ Aberdeen	7:15pm
01/29	@ Aberdeen	7:15pm
02/04	AUSTIN	7:30pm
02/05	@ Austin	7:00pm
02/11	@ Aberdeen	7:15pm
02/12	@ Aberdeen	7:15pm
02/18 02/19	BISMARCK BISMARCK	7:30pm
02/19	@ Springfield	7:30pm 7:05pm
02/25	@ Springfield	6:05pm
03/04	@ Bismarck	7:15pm
03/05	@ Bismarck	7:15pm
03/11	AUSTIN	7:30pm
03/12	@ Austin	7:00pm
03/18	ABERDEEN	7:30pm
03/19	ABERDEEN	7:30pm
03/25	MINOT	7:30pm
03/26	MINOT	7:30pm
03/30	ST. CLOUD	7:30pm
04/01	@ St Cloud	7:00pm
04/08	BISMARCK	7:30pm
04/09	BISMARCK	7:30pm
04/15	ST. CLOUD	7:30pm

#### IN A NUTSHELL:

After a weekend off to recharge, North lowa looks to open the 2021 stretch run with a victory.

#### **ALL-TIME SERIES:**

First meeting.

#### LAST TIME OUT:

North lowa closed out the first stage of the 2021-22 season with a battle against the Aberdeen Wings, tying the game on three different occasions and even taking a second-period lead, before falling 5-4 in a shootout. The Bulls opened down a goal, thanks to a second-chance marker from Jackson Yee at 9:17 of the first period, but Carter Rapalje went over the top of Dominik Wasik to tie the game with 6:14 left in the period. The game went to 2-2 on goals from Jacob Bosse and Ryan Coughlin just 25 seconds apart, and Hunter Bulger's right-wing snipe at 3:14 of the second gave the Bulls the lead. Back-to-back goals from Kevin MacKay later in the period gave Aberdeen a 4-3 lead going to the third period. Rapalje would give North Iowa the tying goal with 2:38 remaining in the contest, and the teams would get plenty of chances in the overtime period, with North Iowa outshooting their hosts by a 7-3 margin in the extra session. However, a forehand chance from Cade Nielson in the second round of the shootout was the only scoring the rest of the way in the Wings' win. North lowa surged in the final 25 minutes of the game, including a 14-5 shots-on-goal advantage in the third period, and Hunter Garvey took the tough-luck loss despite going 12-for-12 in net before the shootout. Wasik made 40 saves in the win for Aberdeen.

#### **TONIGHT'S PROMOTIONS:**

North lowa celebrates its return to home ice with Fleet Farm "Bucks and Pucks" Night, featuring a mini-stick giveaway to the first 100 fans in the door, plus intermission games and prizes, a special mascot appearance and additional fan freebies from Fleet Farm. Tonight's game is also a "Friday Night Lights" game, with selected Bulls players signing postgame autographs.

#### **REKINDLING A COLD WAR:**

Tonight's game marks the first-ever meeting between the Bulls and Bobcats, but North lowa's battle against Bismarck was one of the hotter rivalries in the Central Division during the Outlaws' run in town from 2005-10. This game marks the Bobcats' first visit to Mason City since their 2-1 win on March 21, 2010 - that was one of 21 Bismarck victories in the five-year series against the Outlaws, against 25 losses.

## **SHOOT YOUR SHOT:**

Bulls forward Carter Rapalje notched two game-tying goals in North Iowa's most recent game against the Aberdeen Wings, and he got plenty of good looks - he notched a game-high nine shots (still the highest single-game total for any Bulls player this season), and has posted 18 scoring chances over the last three contests. Chris Carroll's seven shots on net in that game ranks second for any North lowa single-game total, while Hunter Bulger's 27.8percent shooting mark currently leads the team.

#### **ALUMNI REPORT:**

Much has happened on the alumni front since North lowa's last contest 13 days ago - 2014-16 star and one-time NA3HL MVP Brett Gravelle is already on his second stint in the ECHL, joining the Rapid City Rush for their weekend road trip to Utah. Last Wednesday, he earned a call-up from the SPHL's Quad City Storm (where he had been playing with former teammate Tommy Stang) to the lowa Heartlanders, where he reunited with Bulls teammate Jeff Solow and posted two goals and an assist in a 4-3 overtime loss to the Wheeling Nailers. He becomes the third Bulls alumnus in the ECHL, along with Rush goaltender Adam Carlson, who made his junior debut with North Iowa during the 2012-13 season. 2019-20 NA3HL Rookie of the Year Lucas Wahlin has also made headlines with his NCAA Division I commitment to St. Thomas last week - Wahlin is the only Bulls alumnus to ever appear in a United States Hockey League game, currently playing for the Lincoln Stars.

## **BOBBING FOR WINS:**

Bismarck earned three of four possible points against the St. Cloud Norsemen in their most recent week of action, and they're also hoping a week off will propel them into the final six weeks of 2021. Brandon Lajoie earned the overtime winner for St. Cloud in a 4-3 victory on October 22, but Adam Pietila's third-period goal clinched a 2-1 win for the Bobcats the following night. Bismarck struggled out of the gate, opening the season on a six-game losing skid.

# **COVERAGE:**

All 60 regular-season North Iowa Bulls games are streamed live at HockeyTV.com. Listen to the Bulls for free, home and away - click the "Listen Live" link at NorthlowaBulls.com, or go directly to the Bulls' audio homepage at mixlr.com/northiowabulls.

#### **CENTRAL DIVISION STANDINGS**

7:00pm

04/16 @ St. Cloud

Austin	10-3-1-1	22 pts
BULLS	8-4-0-2	18 PTS
Minot	7-8-1-0	15 pts
St. Cloud	7-4-0-0	14 pts
Aberdeen	7-7-0-0	14 pts
<b>Bismarck</b>	3-10-1-0	7 pts

Roster accurate as of November 3, 2021

# FORWARDS (13)

#	NAME	SHOT	HT	WT	D.O.B.	HOMETOWN	LAST TEAM
4	Zach Cline	Left	5′6″	160	04/25/04	Chesterfield, MI	Northeast Generals NAHL
9	Carter Rapalje	Right	5′9″	170	8/10/01	Burlington, VT	Amarillo Bulls
11	Logan Dombrowsky	Right	6'3"	200	11/02/02	Stevens Point, WI	Amarillo Bulls
12	Max Scott	Left	5'11"	185	10/11/02	San Jose, CA	Amarillo Bulls
14	Justin Mexico	Left	5′9″	165	12/03/03	Madison Heights, MI	Maine Nordiques AAA
19	Michael Mesic	Left	5′11″	165	08/15/04	Plymouth, MI	Honeybaked U16 AAA
20	Hunter Bulger	Right	5'8"	170	08/05/02	St Louis, MO	St. Louis Blues AAA
22	Charlie Tuggey	Right	5′10″	165	01/04/03	Shaker Heights, OH	Gilmour Academy
24	Ryan Coughlin	Right	6'0"	180	02/09/01	Charlotte, NC	Amarillo Bulls
26	Simone Dadie	Left	6'2"	198	09/18/03	Brunico, Italy	Okanagan Hockey Academy Europe U20
28	Chris Carroll	Left	5′11″	180	05/04/01	Islip, NY	Amarillo Bulls
29	Byron Hartley	Right	6'0"	185	05/09/02	Philadelphia, NY	Philadelphia Little Flyers 18U
37	Anthony Domina	Right	6'4"	205	11/24/03	Severna Park, MD	Northern Cyclones

# **DEFENSEMEN (8)**

#	NAME	SHOT	HT	WT	D.O.B.	HOMETOWN	LAST TEAM
2	Greg Japchen	Left	6'3"	195	12/17/01	Doylestown, PA	Amarillo Bulls
6	Joey Potter	Right	5′11″	185	05/09/02	Pittsburgh, PA	Twin City Thunder
8	Joe Sweeney	Right	6'1"	175	04/21/03	San Jose, CA	Chippewa Steel
10	Jack Mesic	Right	5′11″	185	10/18/02	Plymouth, MI	Amarillo Bulls
15	Jack Boxer	Left	6'3"	190	01/30/02	Colorado Springs, CO	Amarillo Bulls
17	Andrew Stacey	Right	6'0"	180	01/14/03	Toledo, OH	Tri-State Spartans 18U
21	Casey Roepke	Left	6'0"	177	05/02/02	Erin, WI	Lincoln Stars
27	Sean Vlasich	Right	5′8″	175	04/20/01	Upper Saddle River, NJ	Amarillo Bulls

# **GOALTENDERS (3)**

#	NAME	HT	WT	D.O.B.	HOMETOWN	LAST TEAM
1	Hunter Garvey	6'1"	160	02/03/02	San Diego, CA	Amarillo Bulls
30	Nathan Dickey	6′0″	175	08/05/03	Butler, PA	Kenai River Brown Bears
31	Carsen Stokes	5′10″	170	02/13/02	Prior Lake, MN	North Iowa Bulls

## **PRONUNCIATIONS**

**SEAN VLASICH:** VLASS-ick **CASEY ROEPKE: REP-kee CARTER RAPALJE:** RAP-al-jay **ANTHONY DOMINA:** DOM-inna JACK MESIC: MESS-ick **SIMONE DADIE:** SEE-mo-nay DAH-dee-ay **MICHAEL MESIC:** MESS-ick RYAN COUGHLIN: COG-lin

**HUNTER BULGER:** BULL-jer

## **TEAM STAFF**

**HEAD COACH/GM:** Todd Sanden

ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH/GM: Kevin Murdock

**ASSISTANT COACH:** Mark Hicks

**CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER:** Kathee Corsello **ATHLETIC TRAINER:** Austin Kessler

**BROADCASTING/MEDIA RELATIONS:** Austin Draude

	BULLS GAME-BY-GAME (8-4-0-2)							
Date	Opponent	Re	sult	GWG	Bulls Goaltender	Opp. Goaltender	Record	Highlights
	vs. MN Wilderness	w	5-1	Michael Mesic (1)	Carsen Stokes (1-0-0-0, 23/24)	Jacob Zacharewicz (0-1-0-0, 26/31)	1-0-0-0	Dombrowsky: Bulls' 1st NAHL goal (10:01, 1st); Mesic/Coughlin/Scott: 3 pts
,	vs. Jamestown	Ĺ	4-1	Owen West	Jackson Baker (0-1-0-0, 27/31)	Nolan Suggs (1-0-0-0, 33/34)	1-1-0-0	Baker: 1st junior start; NI: 6-for-6 on penalty kill; West: goal, 2 assists
	vs. Amarillo	w	4-1	Logan Dombrowsky (1)	Cullen DeYoung (1-0-0-0, 33/34)	Max Gutjahr (1-1-0-0, 27/31)	2-1-0-0	North Iowa: 3-for-5 on power play; Dombrowsky: 2 goals, assist
	vs. Kenai River	w	6-2	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Cullen DeYoung (2-0-0-0, 28/30)	Bryant Marks (0-3-0-0, 23/28)	3-1-0-0	Rapalje, Greg Japchen: 2 G each; Ryan Coughlin: 100th junior game
,	Aberdeen	Ĺ	3-2	Devon Carlstrom	Cullen DeYoung (2-1-0-0, 23/26)	Kyle Kozma (2-1-0-0, 33/35)	3-2-0-0	Chris Carroll: Bulls' 1st NAHL home goal (1st, 0:49); combined: 12-12 PK
Sep 25	Aberdeen	w	6-5	Hunter Bulger (1)	Carsen Stokes (2-0-0-0, 25/30)	Kyle Kozma (2-2-0-0, 22/25)	4-2-0-0	ABD comes back from down 3-0 for 4-3 lead (NI: 6-4 lead at 4:15 of 3 <sup>rd</sup> per)
Oct 1	Austin	SOL	4-3	Gavin Morrissey (SO)	Hunter Garvey (0-0-0-1, 34/37)	Hudson Hodges (4-1-1-0, 27/30)	4-2-0-1	Bulls tie game 3x (Vlasich: GTG w :43 left in 3rd per.); AUS: 2-3 PP, 4-4 PK
Oct 2	@ Austin	W		Carter Rapalje (2)	Hunter Garvey (1-0-0-1, 27/29)	Niko Goich (1-1-0-0, 25/29)	5-2-0-1	1st NI/Austin games since 1985; NI: 5-5 PK (AUS: 1st game w 0 PPG this yr)
Oct 8	@ Minot	W		Max Scott (1)	Hunter Garvey (2-0-0-1, 32/34)	Carter Clafton (2-3-1-0, 9/12)	6-2-0-1	MNT backup Zach Sandy: 18-for-18; Scott: 1st goal as NI Bull (18:51, 1st)
Oct 9	@ Minot	w	6-3	* *	Hunter Garvey (3-0-0-1, 45/48)	Zach Sandy (0-3-0-0, 9/11)	7-2-0-1	Garvey: most saves by NI G since 2019; NI outshot 48-28 (1st/2nd per: 37-9)
Oct 15	Minot	w	3-2	. , . ,	Hunter Garvey (4-0-0-1, 30/32)	Zach Sandy (0-4-0-0, 35/38)	8-2-0-1	Byron Hartley, Justin Mexico score 1st per goals for NI :35 apart (5:02, 5:37)
Oct 16	Minot	L	6-1	Zack Simon	Hunter Garvey (4-1-0-1, 32/38)	Zach Sandy (1-4-0-0, 32/33)	8-3-0-1	Minot scores three in opening 4:23; Dadie PPG breaks 31 PP skid for Bulls
Oct 22	@ Aberdeen	L	5-2	Patrick O'Connell	Hunter Garvey (4-2-0-1, 27/32)	Dominik Wasik (2-1-0-0, 36/38)	8-4-0-1	Wings: 3 straight goals in 1st period, 2 goals :16 apart in 2nd; Max Scott: 2 G
Oct 23	@ Aberdeen	SOL	5-4	Cade Nielson (SO)	Hunter Garvey (4-2-0-2, 12/12)	Dominik Wasik (3-1-0-0, 40/44)	8-4-0-2	Carsen Stokes: 25/29 in 1st start since 9/25; Carter Rapalje: 2 tying goals
Nov 5	Bismarck			, ,		,		
Nov 6	Bismarck							
Nov 12	@ Austin							
Nov 13	Austin							
Nov 20	@ St. Cloud							
Nov 26	@ Austin							
Nov 27								
Dec 3	St. Cloud							
Dec 4	@ St. Cloud							
Dec 10	Springfield							
Dec 11	Springfield							
Dec 17	@ Bismarck							
Dec 18	@ Bismarck							
Dec 31	@ Austin							
Jan 1	Austin							
Jan 7	Aberdeen							
Jan 8	Aberdeen							

Jan 14 @ Minot Jan 15 @ Minot Jan 21 @ Bismarck Jan 22 @ Bismarckj Jan 27 St. Cloud Jan 28 @ Aberdeen Jan 29 @ Aberdeen Feb 4 Austin Feb 5 @ Austin Feb 11 @ Aberdeen Feb 12 @ Aberdeen Feb 18 Bismarck Feb 19 Bismarck Feb 25 @ Springfield Feb 26 @ Springfield Mar 4 @ Bismarck Mar 5 @ Bismarck Mar 11 Austin Mar 12 @ Austin Mar 18 Aberdeen Mar 19 Aberdeen Mar 25 Minot Mar 26 Minot Mar 30 St. Cloud Apr 1 @ St. Cloud Apr 8 Bismarck Apr 9 Bismarck Apr 15 St. Cloud Apr 16 @ St. Cloud