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GAME 16 - NOVEMBER 6, 2021 (7:30 P.M. at Mason City Arena - Mason City, IA)



NORTH IOWA BULLS

9-4-0-2 (20 pts, .667) 2nd, Central Division Head Coach: Todd Sanden Assistant Coaches: Kevin Murdock, Mark Hicks

3-11-1-0 (7 pts, .233) 6th, Central Division Head Coach: Layne Sedevie Assistant Coaches: Hunter Laslo

BISMARCK BOBCATS



	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
09/24	ABERDEEN	L, 3-2
09/25	ABERDEEN	W , 6-5
10/01	AUSTIN	SOL , 4-3
10/02	@ Austin	W, 4-2
10/08	@ Minot	W , 3-2
10/09	@ Minot	W, 6-3
10/15	MINOT	W, 3-2
10/16	MINOT	L, 6-1
10/22	@ Aberdeen	L, 5-2
10/23	@ Aberdeen	SOL , 5-4
11/05	BISMARCK	W , 6-4
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	7:00pm
01/01	AUSTIN	7:30pm
01/07	ABERDEEN	7:30pm
01/08	ABERDEEN	7:30pm
01/14	@ Minot	7:35pm
01/15 01/21	@ Minot	8:05pm
01/21	@ Bismarck	7:15pm
01/22	@ Bismarck	7:15pm 7:30pm
01/27	ST CLOUD	
01/20	@ Aberdeen @ Aberdeen	7:15pm 7:15pm
02/04	AUSTIN	7:30pm
02/04	@ Austin	7:00pm
02/03	@ Aberdeen	7:15pm
02/12	@ Aberdeen	7:15pm
02/12	BISMARCK	7:30pm
02/19	BISMARCK	7:30pm
02/25	@ Springfield	7:05pm
02/26	@ 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

CENTRAL DIVISION

7:00pm

04/16 @ St. Cloud

STAINDINGS							
Austin	10-4-1-1	22 pts					
BULLS	9-4-0-2	20 PTS					
St. Cloud	8-4-0-0	16 pts					
Aberdeen	8-7-0-0	16 pts					
Minot	7-9-1-0	15 pts					
Bismarck	3-11-1-0	7 pts					

IN A NUTSHELL:

North lowa hunts for a sweep after winning its first game ever against the Bobcats in historic fashion.

ALL-TIME SERIES:

North Iowa leads. 1-0-0.

LAST TIME OUT:

The Bulls welcomed the Bismarck Bobcats to the Mason City Arena for the first time ever on Friday night, and having never scored in front of the North lowa faithful in five previous appearances, Carter Rapalje more than made up for lost time with four goals in a 6-4 Bulls victory. North lowa put some extra meat on its power-play bones in the game's opening five minutes when Greg Japchen found Rapalje in front of the net to open the scoring, and Rapalje raced in off of a faceoff with 5:50 remaining in the period for a 2-0 lead. A goal from Aiden Van Rooyan on a delayed penalty call at the 7:42 mark of the second period trimmed the lead to 2-1, but a one-timer from Michael Mesic found Rapalje in the left-wing faceoff circle for the hat-trick tally with 1:13 remaining in the period. The scoring floodgates opened in the third period on Rapalje's fourth goal at 12:17 - Max Scott's forehand wrister pushed the lead to 5-1 with 6:21 remaining, and goals from Alex Pietila, Logan Dombrowsky and Jon Ziskie turned it into a 6-3 game with just over four minutes to go. Calvin Hanson put some window dressing on the game with 0.6 seconds remaining, dropping the final margin back to two goals. Mesic had three assists and Japchen had two as North Iowa wiped away a three-game losing skid.

UPCOMING PROMOTIONS:

North Iowa celebrates Military Appreciation Night next Saturday night against the Austin Bruins, with free admission for all active and retired military members.

REKINDLING A COLD WAR:

This weekend's games mark the first-ever meetings between the Bulls and Bobcats, but North Iowa'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.

ROLL A SIX:

Carter Rapalje is as hot as any North Iowa player in recent memory, notching two game-tying goals in North Iowa's October 23 game against the Aberdeen Wings, on a season-high nine shots (still the highest single-game total for any Bulls player this season). He has posted 25 scoring chances over the last four contests, and his four-goal game last night was the Bulls' first hat trick in the North American Hockey League era. The last North Iowa four-goal game was Cam Fagerlee's four-goal outburst on March 2, 2019, in a 7-3 victory over the New Ulm Steel.

ALUMNI REPORT:

Much has happened on the alumni front since North Iowa'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.

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME:

The overall penalty-killing numbers for the Bobcats are relatively pedestrian, with Bismarck posting a 77.8-percent mark on the season, but the stagger between the home and away penalty-killing success is striking. Bismarck heads into the evening just 11-for-20 (55 percent) on the penalty kill away from home, the lowest mark in the NAHL. At home, though, the Bobcats' penalty kill has been nearly impenetrable, holding off 24 of the 25 power play chances against them, succeeding a league-high 96 percent of the time.

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.

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
CARTER RAPALJE: RAP-al-jay
JACK MESIC: MESS-ick
MICHAEL MESIC: MESS-ick
RYAN COUGHLIN: COG-lin

CASEY ROEPKE: REP-kee
ANTHONY DOMINA: DOM-inna
SIMONE DADIE: SEE-mo-nay DAH-dee-ay
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 (9-4-0-2)								
Date	Opponent	Res	sult	GWG	Bulls Goaltender	Opp. Goaltender	Record	Highlights
Sep 15	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
Sep 16	vs. Jamestown	L	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
Sep 17	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
Sep 18	vs. Kenai River	W	6-2	Carter Rapalje (1)	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
Sep 24	Aberdeen	L	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 3rd 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	4-2	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	3-2	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	Carter Rapalje (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	Logan Dombrowsky (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 2^{nd} ; 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	W	6-4	Max Scott (2)	Hunter Garvey (5-2-0-2, 31/35)	Erik Forss (3-6-1-0, 34/40)	9-4-0-2	Carter Rapalje: 4 goals (Bulls' 1st NAHL hat trick, first home goals w NI)
Nov 6	Bismarck							
Nov 12	@ Austin							
Nov 13	Austin							
Nov 20	@ St. Cloud							
Nov 26	@ Austin							
Nov 27	Austin							
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 @ Bismarck 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