



# NORTH IOWA BULLS HOCKEY CLUB

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## GAME 3 - SEPTEMBER 17, 2021 (5:15 P.M. at National Sports Center Super Rink - Blaine, MN)



### NORTH IOWA BULLS

1-1-0-0 (2 pts, .500)

t-3<sup>rd</sup>, Central Division

Head Coach: Todd Sanden

Assistant Coaches: Kevin Murdock, Mark Hicks

### AMARILLO WRANGLERS

2-0-0-0 (4 pts, 1.00)

t-1<sup>st</sup>, South Division

Head Coach: Harry Mahood

Assistant Coach: Cody Gylling



VS

#### SCHEDULE

09/15	vs. MN Wilderness	W, 5-1
09/16	vs. Jamestown	L, 4-1
09/17	vs. Amarillo	5:15pm
09/18	vs. Kenai River	6:00pm
09/24	ABERDEEN	7:30pm
09/25	ABERDEEN	7:30pm
10/01	AUSTIN	7:30pm
10/02	@ Austin	7:00pm
10/08	@ Minot	7:35pm
10/09	@ Minot	7:35pm
10/15	MINOT	7:30pm
10/16	MINOT	7:30pm
10/22	@ Aberdeen	7:15pm
10/23	@ Aberdeen	7:15pm
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	7:00pm
01/01	AUSTIN	7:30pm
01/07	ABERDEEN	7:30pm
01/08	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	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
04/16	@ St. Cloud	7:00pm

#### STANDINGS

Austin	2-0-0-0	4 pts
St. Cloud	1-0-0-0	2 pts
BULLS	1-1-0-0	2 PTS
Aberdeen	1-1-0-0	2 pts
Minot	1-1-0-0	2 pts
Bismarck	0-1-0-0	0 pts

#### IN A NUTSHELL:

The Bulls square off against the team that replaced them in Amarillo, and look to regain their winning record.

#### ALL-TIME SERIES:

First meeting.

#### LAST TIME OUT:

North Iowa was coming off of a season-opening 5-1 win over the Minnesota Wilderness on Wednesday, but a Jamestown Rebels team that took a 7-0 loss to Springfield the previous night was able to engineer a quick turnaround for a 4-1 victory over the Bulls. The Rebels grabbed the lead at the game's 6:10 mark, when Noah Szretter snapped one from the right wing to beat **Jackson Baker** for the 1-0 lead. Owen West hit his mark off of a drop pass from Reid Lune with just over six minutes left in the period, and the Rebels carried a 2-0 lead and a 13-6 shots-on-goal advantage into the break. After tallying a shorthanded goal in the second period off of a backhand try from Lune, Kevin Marx-Noren popped one into the top corner above Baker's left shoulder at 4:04 of the third for a 4-0 lead. The Bulls earned a 16-8 advantage on shots in the third period and chipped away with a stuffed-in goal from **Ryan Coughlin** 71 seconds later, but North Iowa could muster no more offense in their first loss of the young season. The penalty-killing units combined for a perfect 9-for-9 finish, and Baker made 27 saves to take the loss in his junior debut. West had a goal and two assists to highlight the Rebels offense.

#### NEXT HOME GAME:

North Iowa opens its 2021-22 home schedule on Friday, September 24 against Aberdeen. That game kicks off the Bulls' "1 Town, 2 Teams, 3 Days, 4 Games" weekend alongside the new Mason City Toros, with free schedule posters to be given away at Friday's game.

#### A PRETTY SPECIAL START:

The Bulls may have only one win in their first two chances, but their special teams are off to a great start, especially the penalty kill - Minnesota's third-period goal from Charlie Erickson is the only blemish against North Iowa in an 8-for-9 start. Their opponents have been equally tough so far, holding the Bulls to just 1-for-10 on the man-advantage early on.

#### STICK-TAPS SKRASTINS:

Amarillo forward Kristaps Skrastins is off to a monster start to the season, piling up seven goals over his first two NAHL games, including both game-winners (Thursday's game-winning goal came in overtime). Skrastins is one of two Riga-born players on Harry Mahood's roster to come to the Wranglers from HK Riga of the MHL, the minor-pro feeder league to the Kontinental Hockey League. Tallying five points over the first two games is HK Riga teammate Glebs Prohorenkovs, who also played seven games in the KHL last season. Both were members of Latvia's junior national team that played this past winter at the World Junior Championships.

#### A WILD FINISH:

After a tidy 5-2 win over the New Jersey Titans to open the NAHL Showcase on Wednesday, the Wranglers had to put in some overtime on Thursday to earn win number two - after falling behind 2-0, Amarillo turned their game against the Minnesota Wilderness into a seesaw battle, running off four straight goals to take a 4-2 lead going to the third. William Persson and Matthew McQuade evened things up with their third-period goals, both on the power play, and forced Skrastins to win the game for the Wranglers in overtime. The power play units for both teams were exceptional, with Minnesota going 2-for-8 in the game and Amarillo finishing 3-for-7 on the power play.

#### WHAT A JOURNEY:

The route to Amarillo has been a roundabout one for the Wranglers over the last two seasons - the Topeka Pilots announced a move to Kansas City and a rebrand to the Scouts at the end of February 2020, but two weeks later, the NAHL season ended due to the international COVID shutdown. The Scouts did not play in 2020-21, and announced a second season to their hiatus in 2021-22. The Amarillo Bulls, meanwhile, announced their move to Mason City early this past March, adopting the North Iowa Bulls identity and sending their NA3HL entry into the new season as the Mason City Toros. As the Robertson Cup playoffs unfolded, the league and ownership in Amarillo announced the purchase of the Kansas City Scouts - who never played a game - to move to Amarillo. The Wranglers share a name with the first pro hockey team to play in the Panhandle in the late 1960s and early '70s.

#### COVERAGE:

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



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Roster accurate as of September 15, 2021

## FORWARDS (16)

#	NAME	SHOT	HT	WT	D.O.B.	HOMETOWN	LAST TEAM
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
16	Michael Mumm	Right	6'2"	190	01/17/03	Livingston, NJ	New Jersey Rockets 18U AAA
18	Anthony Galante	Left	5'11"	165	04/18/02	Morganville, NJ	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
21	Luka Sukovic	Right	6'3"	195	11/03/03	Lincolnshire, IL	Odessa Jackalopes
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
44	Matus Hadusovsky	Right	6'0"	170	04/24/03	Spisska Nova Ves, Slvk.	IF Sundsvall

## 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
7	Nick Liotino	Left	5'11"	180	09/25/02	Commerce Township, MI	Compuware 18U AAA
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
23	Luke Helgeson	Left	5'11"	190	11/30/04	Anchorage, AK	Cleveland Barons 16U
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	Carsen Stokes	5'10"	170	02/13/02	Prior Lake, MN	North Iowa Bulls
30	Cullen DeYoung	6'0"	165	04/03/02	Canton, MI	Amarillo Bulls
31	Jackson Baker	6'1"	165	03/03/03	Hermosa Beach, CA	Chicago Mission 18U AAA

## PRONUNCIATIONS

**NICK LIOTINO:** leo-TEE-no

**CARTER RAPALJE:** RAP-al-jay

**JACK MESIC:** MESS-ick

**MICHAEL MESIC:** MESS-ick

**MATUS HADUSOVSKY:** ma-TOOSH had-oo-SHUV-skee

**ANTHONY GALANTE:** gal-AHN-tay

**LUKA SUKOVIC:** SOO-coe-vich

**SIMONE DADIE:** DAH-dee

**SEAN VLASICH:** VLASS-ick

**ANTHONY DOMINA:** DOM-inna

## 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 (1-1-0-0)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>GWG</b>	<b>Bulls Goaltender</b>	<b>Opp. Goaltender</b>	<b>Record</b>	<b>Highlights</b>
Sep 15	vs. MN Wilderness	<b>W</b> 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' 1 <sup>st</sup> NAHL goal (10:01, 1 <sup>st</sup> ); Mesic/Coughlin/Scott: 3 pts
Sep 16	vs. Jamestown	<b>L</b> 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: 1 <sup>st</sup> junior start; NI: 6-for-6 on penalty kill; West: goal, 2 assists
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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						
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Feb 4	Austin						
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Feb 19	Bismarck						
Feb 25	@ Springfield						
Feb 26	@ Springfield						
Mar 4	@ Bismarck						
Mar 5	@ Bismarck						
Mar 11	Austin						
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