



# NORTH AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE WEEKLY RELEASE

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## STANDINGS

### North Division

TEAM	GP	W-L-OTL	PTS	PCT	GF	GA
St. Louis	17	14-3-0	28	.824	69	38
Mahoning Valley	17	10-5-2	22	.647	66	53
Alpena	16	9-6-1	19	.594	55	55
USNTDP	19	9-9-1	19	.500	62	65
Marquette	15	9-6-0	18	.600	60	54
Traverse City	15	7-5-3	17	.567	45	46

### South Division

TEAM	GP	W-L-OTL	PTS	PCT	GF	GA
Wichita Falls	18	14-3-1	29	.806	68	44
Fairbanks	17	9-6-2	20	.588	48	44
Topeka	14	6-5-3	15	.536	37	36
Texas	18	6-10-2	14	.389	50	64
Alaska	17	6-10-1	13	.382	45	67
Kenai River	17	4-11-2	10	.294	45	75

### Central Division

TEAM	GP	W-L-OTL	PTS	PCT	GF	GA
North Iowa	14	11-2-1	23	.821	53	23
Springfield	17	9-7-1	19	.559	68	58
Fargo-Moorhead	17	8-8-1	17	.500	63	61
So. Minnesota	15	7-5-3	17	.567	56	57
Bismarck	14	4-8-2	10	.357	36	62
Alexandria	13	3-10-0	6	.231	33	57

## LEADING SCORERS

PLAYER	TEAM	P	GP	G	A	PTS
Cardwell, Adam	WIC	F	18	9	21	30
Graham, Derek	MVY	F	17	14	14	28
Salazar, Luke	WIC	F	18	14	13	27
Peterson, Erik	ALP	F	16	6	19	25
Everett, Grant	WIC	F	18	9	15	24
OKane, Kyle	STL	F	16	12	10	22
Walters, Shea	NIO	F	14	9	13	22
McCabe, Andrew	FBX	F	16	6	15	21
Rowe, Darren	SPR	D	17	4	17	21

(two players tied with 20)

## LEADING GOALTENDERS

PLAYER	TEAM	GPI	MINS	W-L-OTL	GAA	SPCT
Moss, Robby	NIO	12	726:52	10-1-1	1.49	.946
Johnson, Mike	STL	8	486:17	7-1-0	1.97	.922
Jarboe, Mike	WIC	15	884:05	11-2-1	2.17	.933
Merriam, Bryce	TPK	13	785:38	5-5-3	2.21	.910
Bartus, Garrett	MVY	10	585:38	6-1-2	2.36	.926

## GOALS

PLAYER	TEAM	P	GP	G
Graham, Derek	MVY	F	17	14
Salazar, Luke	WIC	F	18	14
OKane, Kyle	STL	F	16	12

## ASSISTS

PLAYER	TEAM	POS	GP	A
Cardwell, Adam	WIC	F	18	21
Peterson, Erik	ALP	F	16	19

(two players tied with 17)

## PLUS/MINUS

PLAYER	TEAM	POS	GP	+/-
Morin, Matt	NIO	D	14	14
Jundt, Tyler	NIO	D	14	14

(five players tied at +11)

## Springfield on the move

*Jr. Blues take sole position of second in Central*

After completing a two-game sweep of the Southern Minnesota Express last weekend, the Springfield Jr. Blues find themselves all alone in second place in the NAHL's Central Division standings.



**Kyle Greco**

"This is already turning out to be a very tight and competitive division where any team is capable of winning on any given night," said Jr. Blues coach **Chris Wyler**, whose team upped its record to 9-7-1 on the season. "These divisional games are extremely important and you have to take advantage of these opportunities to make some ground up in the standings."

Trailing 4-2 entering the third period on Friday, the Jr. Blues rallied to a 6-5 triumph highlighted by **Kyle Greco's** hat trick in the final stanza. **Steve Mohler** added two goals – one in the third-period comeback - and two assists in the victory, while goaltender **Phil Cook** turned aside 20 shots.

On Saturday, Mohler struck for two more goals, including the game-winner, as Springfield doubled up the Express, 6-3. **Jared Rickord** chipped in a goal and two assists, and Cook stopped 27 shots between the pipes.

"I thought we executed our systems well as a whole and, for the most part, limited our mistakes," said Wyler. "We really felt that we played five-out-of-six solid periods of hockey in the two-game set, which is something we've been struggling with this season."

After winning the NAHL Showcase Tournament with a perfect 4-0 record, the Jr. Blues have been plagued by inconsistency, failing to win back-to-back games before its sweep of the Express last weekend.

"We had a very strong start the season, but, as a team, we didn't handle the success very well," said Wyler. "We realized that we needed to refocus what our goals were and not to hang our hat on what we accomplished at the Showcase. But it's a long season and there are always peaks and valleys."

One Jr. Blue who has avoided any semblance of a slump is Greco, whose heroics in the third period on Friday drew plenty of praise from his coach.

"He had one of the best periods of hockey he's played for us as a Jr. Blue," Wyler said of the 19-year-old from Illinois. "He's been one of our most consistent players all year and a tremendous asset to the team. I can't say enough about Kyle's play so far this season."

With four goals and two assists last weekend, Mohler didn't disappoint, either. *Story continued at nahl.com...*



## LAST WEEK'S SCORES/HIGHLIGHTS

**Tuesday, October 30**

Mahoning Valley 10 @ USNTDP 2 (MV: Blakey, G, 3A, +2)

**Thursday, November 1**

USNTDP 5 @ Alpena 6 (ALP: Peterson, G, 4A, +2)  
North Iowa 5 @ Fargo-Moorhead 0 (NI: DeZellar, 3A, +4)

**Friday, November 2**

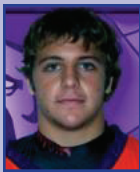
Fairbanks 4 @ Alaska 2 (FBX: Stonacek, G, GWG)  
North Iowa 3 @ Fargo-Moorhead 0 (NI: Dziubinski, G, GWG, A, +2)  
Bismarck 2 @ Kenai River 3 (SO) (KEN: Jeff Harris-Simson, G, A, +1)  
St. Louis 3 @ Mahoning Valley 5 (MV: Boeckman, GWG, A)  
Southern Minnesota 5 @ Springfield 6 (SPR: Greco, 2G, GWG, +1)  
Wichita Falls 2 @ Texas 1 (OT) (WF: Sponseller, G, GWG, +1)  
Traverse City 4 @ USNTDP 1 (TC: Urbaniak, 2A, +1)

**Saturday, November 3**

Fairbanks 2 @ Alaska 3 (OT) (ALK: Young, GWG, +2)  
Bismarck 1 @ Kenai River 2 (KEN: Kevin Harris, GWG, +1)  
St. Louis 2 @ Mahoning Valley 1 (SO) (STL: Johnson, 23 saves)  
Southern Minnesota 3 @ Springfield 6 (SPR: Mohler, G, GWG, +2)  
Traverse City 1 @ USNTDP 5 (USA: Lofquist, 2G, A, +2)  
Texas 3 @ Wichita Falls 6 (WF: Everett, 2G, GWG, +4)

## NORTH PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Mahoning Valley forward **Johnny Meo** struck for two goals and four assists last week as the Phantoms fashioned a 2-0-1 record. On Tuesday, the 18-year-old recorded a goal and three assists in a 10-2 win over the U.S. Under-17 Team. On Friday, the Vernon Hills, Ill., native scored a goal and an assist as the Phantoms skated to a 5-3 win over division-leading St. Louis. Meo was also a plus-2 for the week.



**HONORABLE MENTION:** Alpena forward **Erik Peterson**; Traverse City goaltender **Brandon Stephenson**

## SOUTH PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Wichita Falls forward **Adam Cardwell** tallied a goal and four assists last weekend as the Wildcats skated to a two-game sweep over Texas. After being held scoreless on Friday, the 20-year-old rang up a goal and four assists, including one on **Grant Everett's** game-winning goal, in a 5-3 win over the Tornado on Saturday. Cardwell, from Long Beach, Calif., was also a plus-4 on the night.



**HONORABLE MENTION:** Wichita Falls forward **Grant Everett**

## CENTRAL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Springfield forward **Steve Mohler** scored four goals and two assists in the Jr. Blues' two-game sweep of Southern Minnesota last weekend. On Friday, the 20-year-old notched two goals and two assists, including one on **Kyle Greco's** game-winning goal, in Springfield's 6-5 triumph. The next night, the Anaheim, Calif., native connected for two more goals, including the game-winner, as the Jr. Blues doubled up the Express, 6-3. Mohler was also a plus-4 for the weekend.



**HONORABLE MENTION:** North Iowa goaltender **Robby Moss**; Springfield forward **Kyle Greco**

## THE WEEK AHEAD

*all times local*

**Monday, November 5**

Bismarck @ Alaska, 7:00 pm

**Tuesday, November 6**

Bismarck @ Alaska, 7:00 pm

**Friday, November 9**

St. Louis @ Alexandria, 7:00 pm  
Mahoning Valley @ Alpena, 7:00 pm  
Bismarck @ Fairbanks, 7:30 pm  
Marquette @ Fargo-Moorhead, 7:35 pm  
Alaska @ Kenai River, 7:00 pm  
Topeka @ Southern Minnesota, 7:00 pm  
Wichita Falls @ Springfield, 7:30 pm

**Saturday, November 10**

St. Louis @ Alexandria, 7:00 pm  
Mahoning Valley @ Alpena, 7:00 pm  
Bismarck @ Fairbanks, 7:30 pm  
Marquette @ Fargo-Moorhead, 7:05 pm  
Alaska @ Kenai River, 7:00 pm  
Topeka @ Southern Minnesota, 7:00 pm  
Wichita Falls @ Springfield, 7:00 pm

## AROUND THE NAHL

**MAROON SIGNS WITH FLYERS:** 2007 NAHL Most Valuable Player **Pat Maroon** (St. Louis, 2005-07) has signed with the Philadelphia Flyers. The 19-year-old was selected by Philadelphia in the sixth round (161st overall) of the 2007 NHL Entry Draft.

**ON THE BOARD:** First-year Mahoning Valley forward **Nick Kenney**, 19, potted his first two goals of the season in the Phantoms' 5-3 win over division-leading St. Louis on Friday. "Nick has been working real hard," Phantoms coach-GM **Bob Mainhardt** said. "We're really proud of him, he deserved that. I was just real happy to see his hard work come to fruition."

**MIGHTY MOSS:** North Iowa goaltender **Robby Moss**, 20, continued his brilliance between the pipes last weekend, recording a pair of shutouts against Fargo-Moorhead (52 saves). "Robby is playing great this season," said Outlaws coach **Dave Boitz**. "He's the goaltender we knew he was and playing to his potential."

**ALL NATURAL:** Wichita Falls forward **Grant Everett**, 20, struck for a natural hat trick in the Wildcats' 6-3 win over Texas on Saturday. "Grant is one of the best corner men in the league," said Wildcats coach-GM **John Bowkus**. "He wins every battle and is now finding his scoring touch around the net."

**HAPPY CAMPER:** Miami University forward **Carter Camper** (Cleveland Jr. Barons, 2004-06) was named the CCHA Rookie of the Month for October. The 19-year-old from Rocky River, Ohio scored three goals and five assists in six games for the month to tie for the CCHA scoring lead.

**BIG BEN AGAIN:** For the second week in a row, University of Maine junior goaltender **Ben Bishop** (Texas, 2004-05) was named the Hockey East Defensive Player of the Week after making 26 saves in a 1-1 tie with No. 5-ranked Boston College on Friday night.

**STEPHENSON SHINES:** Traverse City goaltender **Brandon Stephenson**, 19, turned aside 75 shots in a two-game split with the U.S. Under-18 Team, including a 34-save performance in the North Stars' 4-1 victory on Friday.