

# NORTH AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE WEEKLY RELEASE

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#### STANDINGS

(two players tied at +17)

STANDINGS						
<b>Central Division</b>						
TEAM	GP	W-L-OTL	. PTS	РСТ	GF	GA
Owatonna	15	10-4-1	21	.700	51	47
North Iowa	16	10-5-1	21	.656	52	54
Bismarck	18	7-7-4	18	.500	47	48
Alexandria	14	4-7-3	11	.393	32	45
Albert Lea	19	4-14-1	9	.237	39	83
North Division						
TEAM	GP	W-L-OTL		РСТ	GF	GA
Traverse City	17	12-4-1	25	.735	72	53
Marquette	18	11-7-0	22	.611	47	46
Janesville	19	10-9-0	20	.526	63	58
Motor City	17	7-6-4	18	.529	49	48
Alpena	19	5-14-0	10	.263	46	63
South Division						
TEAM	GP	W-L-OTL		PCT	GF	GA
Topeka	18	13-3-2	28	.778	70	39
St. Louis Springfield	16 20	12-3-1 9-8-3	25 21	.781 .525	56 68	40 58
Texas	20 18	9-8-3 7-9-2	16	.525	44	58 60
Wichita Falls	16	4-10-2	10	.313	49	67
West Division						
TEAM	GP	W-L-OTL	. PTS	РСТ	GF	GA
Wenatchee	25	21-4-0	42	.840	87	56
Alaska	20	13-3-4	30	.750	74	51
Fairbanks	21	10-10-1	21	.500	77	68
Kenai River	20	5-14-1	11	.275	46	77
LEADING SCC	RERS					
PLAYER	TEAM	Р	GP	G	Α	PTS
Pustin, Mark	FBX	F	20	13	16	29
Curry, Nick	SPR	F	20	9	20	29
Juola, Michael	FBX	F F	21	7	22	29
Rickord, Jared Jubinville, Jeff	SPR WNE	F	20 25	10 10	16 13	26 23
Larson, Jared	FBX	F	20	13	9	23
Mingo, Dajon	WNE	F	20	9	13	22
Brodie, Kyle	WNE	D	21	7	15	22
Nagtzaam, Nardo	ALK	F	18	11	9	20
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LEADING GOA		FRS				
	TEAM	GPI	MINS	W-L-OT	L GAA	SPCT
Frederick, Cooper	TPK	6	330:21	4-1-1	1.82	.915
Jaeger, Brandon	WNE	11	585:47	9-0-0	1.95	.929
Faragher, Ryan	BIS	13	632:27	5-3-3	1.99	.920
Robertson, Kale	ALK	10	572:08	7-2-1	1.99	.925
Kamal, Chris	ALX	7	389:42	2-2-2	2.00	.930
GOALS						
PLAYER	TEAM	Р	GP	G		
Huff, Andy	TNS	F	17	14		
(three players tied	with 13)					
ASSISTS						
PLAYER	TEAM	POS	GP	Α		
Juola, Michael	FBX	F	21	22		
Curry, Nick	SPR	F	20	20		
PLUS/MINUS	TEAM	POS	GP	±/		
PLAYER Heinz, Curtis	TEAM TNS	POS D	<b>GP</b> 15	<b>+/-</b> +18		
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# **Outlaws Making Strides**

Progress continues for young North Iowa squad

Sporting an inexperienced but promising group of players to start the season, North Iowa Outlaws head coach **Garrett Strot** knew it'd take some time for his charges to adapt to the rigors of the NAHL.

And with a 6-1-1 mark in their last eight games, including two more victories last weekend, the young Outlaws appear to be doing just that.

"Our guys are getting better every week and I know they'll continue to get better throughout the season," said Strot, whose team improved to 10-5-1, good for 21 points and a share of the Central Division lead with Owatonna. "They're continuing to work hard in practice and I think they're starting to



Ryan Bohrer

see that hard work helps them win games."

North Iowa opened its weekend with a 2-1 victory over the Alexandria Blizzard on Friday. **Ryan Bohrer** connected for the game-winning goal and an assist in the win, with **Mickey Knox** adding the other Outlaws marker. Between the pipes, goaltender **Paul Moberg** stopped 39 shots.

The next night, **Markus Gander** and **Ryan McElhone** scored in regulation and Bohrer netted the only goal in the shootout as the Outlaws bested the Albert Lea Thunder, 3-2. Moberg turned back 28 shots in regulation and overtime and all five in the shootout.

"Over these past eight games, the guys have really started to get used to the speed of the NAHL," said Strot. "They've been learning to move the puck better and make smarter plays."

And it doesn't hurt having Moberg as the last line of defense. After last weekend's performance, the 18-year-old from Forest Lake, Minn., now holds a 7-4-1 mark to compliment a 2.77 goals-against average and a .922 save percentage.

"Paul is a great kid and has been consistent for us all year," Strot said of Moberg, who, in addition to being one of the top goaltenders in the Minnesota high school ranks last year, was also a state champion golfer. "He's a very smart kid, a great athlete and has great awareness in the net."

Bohrer has also been delivering with consistency. With only nine points in 29 games a year ago, the 19-year-old from St. Paul already has 19 (five goals) to his credit through 16 games this season.

"He's been our leading scorer all year, which is really what we were hoping for from him this season," said Strot. "We were looking for him to step up and help lead this younger group of guys.

"His speed has also really helped him this season; he's become faster and just has more confidence on the ice this year."

With such a green defensive corps, veterans **Ben Danford** and **Robbie Anderegg** have done exceptional jobs assuming needed leadership roles. Upfront, **John O'Neill**, who's been sidelined with an injury but expected to return to the lineup within the month, and **Tyler Klein**, who was acquired earlier in the season from St. Louis, have also impressed.

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# sherwood central player of the week

Owatonna forward **Chris Darnell** connected for two goals, including the game-winner, and an assist as the Express doubled up the Albert Lea Thunder on Friday, 4-2. The 20-year-old from Barboursville, Va., was also a plus-2.



#### sherwood north player of the week

Traverse City forward **Andy Huff** rang up two goals and an assist as the North Stars celebrated a two-game sweep over Alpena. On Friday, the Howell, Mich., native scored the game-winning goal and an assist in a 3-2 triumph. The next night, the 17-year-old Ferris State University (CCHA) recruit connected for another goal as the North Stars doubled up the IceDiggers, 4-2. He was also a plus-3 on the weekend.



## sherwood south player of the week

Springfield forward **Jared Rickord** potted two goals as the Jr. Blues picked up three points in a two-game series against Motor City. On Friday, the Skokie, III., native scored in a 3-2 shootout loss. The next night, the 20-year-old notched the game-winning goal as the Jr. Blues bested the Metal Jackets, 4-2. The Bentley University (Atlantic Hockey) recruit was also a plus-3 on the weekend.



#### sherwood west player of the week

Wenatchee forward **Duncan McKellar** struck for two goals and four assists as the Wild skated to a two-game sweep over Texas. On Friday, the Phoenix native connected for a pair of goals and assisted on two others, including one on **Dajon Mingo**'s game-winner, in a 6-4 victory. The next night, the 19-year-old added two more assists as the Wild downed the Tornado, 3-1. He was also a plus-4 on the weekend.



### goaltender of the week

North Iowa goaltender **Paul Moberg** backstopped the Outlaws to a pair of victories, turning aside 67 of 70 shots. On Friday, the Forest Lake, Minn., native made 39 saves in a 2-1 win over the Alexandria Blizzard. The next night, the 18-year-old steered aside 28 shots in regulation and overtime and all five in the shootout as the Outlaws bested the Albert Lea Thunder, 3-2.



#### the week ahead all times local

Friday, November 13 Albert Lea @ Alexandria, 7:00 pm Traverse City @ Janesville, 7:00 pm Bismarck @ Owatonna, 7:00 pm St. Louis @ Springfield, 7:00 pm Wichita Falls @ Topeka, 7:05 pm Texas @ Fairbanks, 7:30 pm Alaska @ Kenai River, 7:30 pm North Iowa @ Marquette, 7:30 pm Alpena @ Motor City, 7:30 pm

Saturday, November 14 Albert Lea @ Alexandria, 7:00 pm Traverse City @ Janesville, 7:00 pm Bismarck @ Owatonna, 7:00 pm St. Louis @ Springfield, 7:00 pm Wichita Falls @ Topeka, 7:05 pm Texas @ Fairbanks, 7:30 pm Alaska @ Kenai River, 7:30 pm North Iowa @ Marquette, 7:30 pm Alpena @ Motor City, 7:30 pm

Sunday, November 15 Bismarck @ Albert Lea, 5:30 pm

# around the nahl

ALASKA AVALANCHE: Forward Jacob Barber (Dardenne Prairie, Mo.) tallied three goals in the Avs' two-game sweep over Fairbanks. He now has five goals in his last four games.

**ALBERT LEA THUNDER:** Forward **Niko Kapetanovic** (North Prairie, Wis.) connected for a goal and assisted on **Mark Ellis**' game-winner in the Thunder's 4-1 triumph over Alexandria on Thursday.

**ALEXANDRIA BLIZZARD:** Forwards **Nick Nagel** (Andover, Minn.) and **Brett Wall** (Huber Heights, Ohio) scored the Blizzard's goals in its losses to Albert Lea and North Iowa.

**ALPENA ICEDIGGERS:** Forward **Jonas Vassalli** (Switzerland) tallied a goal and two assists in the IceDiggers' two losses to Traverse City.

**BISMARCK BOBCATS:** Idle last weekend, the Bobcats will play three games this coming weekend: two at Owatonna and one at Albert Lea.

FAIRBANKS ICE DOGS: Forward Michael Juola (Lake Forest, Calif.) registered three assists as the Ice Dogs lost a weekend set to Alaska. He leads the NAHL with 22 helpers.

JANESVILLE JETS: Forward Gehrett Sargis (Midlothian, Ill.) potted two goals, including the game-winner, and an assist in the Jets' 5-3 victory over Marquette on Saturday. He was also a plus-3.

**KENAI RIVER BROWN BEARS:** The Brown Bears acquired forward **Jesse Ramsey** (Rogers, Minn.) in a trade from Wenatchee in exchange for **Dajon Mingo** (Canton, Mich.). Ramsey totaled three goals and an assist in 16 games with the Wild.

**MARQUETTE RANGERS:** Forward **Josh Bussell** (Detroit) struck for a pair of goals, including the game-winner, in the Rangers' 4-1 victory over Janesville on Friday.

**MOTOR CITY METAL JACKETS:** Goaltender **Randy Willis** (Fond du Lac, Wis.) turned back 30 of 32 shots in regulation and overtime and all four in the shootout as the Metal Jackets bested Springfield on Friday, 3-2.

**NORTH IOWA OUTLAWS:** Head coach **Garrett Strot** is high on the personality of young group of players. "We really have a lot of good character," he said. "The guys work hard for me everyday and are all-around good guys to have on a team."

**OWATONNA EXPRESS:** Forward **Brian McGinty** (Bethel Park, Pa.) registered a pair of assists, including one on **Chris Darnell**'s (Barboursville, Va.) game-winning goal, in the Express' 4-2 win over Albert Lea on Friday.

**SPRINGFIELD JR. BLUES:** Forward **Ross Andersen** (River Falls, Wis.) tallied a goal and an assist in the Jr. Blues' 4-2 victory over Motor City on Saturday.

**ST. LOUIS BANDITS:** Idle last weekend, the Bandits head to Springfield this coming weekend for a pair of games against the Jr. Blues.

**TEXAS TORNADO:** Forward **Rock Einersen** (Chicago) rang up a hat trick in the Tornado's 6-4 loss to Wenatchee on Friday. He scored his first goal five seconds into the game.

**TOPEKA ROADRUNNERS:** With last weekend off, the South Divisionleading RoadRunners welcome Wichita Falls to town this coming weekend for a two-game series.

**TRAVERSE CITY NORTH STARS:** Goaltender **Drew Strandberg** (Thunder Bay, Ontario) backstopped the North Stars to a two-game sweep over Alpena, turning aside 54 of 58 shots. "There may have been an initial adjustment period coming into the league this year, but Drew is really finding his rhythm and hitting his stride right now," said head coach **Anthony Palumbo**.

**WENATCHEE WILD:** In his first NAHL game, goaltender **James Adamo** (Butte, Mont.) made 24 saves in the Wild's 3-1 victory over Texas on Saturday.

WICHITA FALLS WILDCATS: Idle last weekend, the Wildcats head to Topeka this coming weekend for a two-game series against the RoadRunners.