



This Week In The USHL

January 19, 2009



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2008-09 USHL STANDINGS

EAST DIVISION

Team	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA
Indiana	32	22	8	2	46	117	96
Green Bay	30	21	7	2	44	114	78
Cedar Rapids	31	20	8	3	43	123	68
Waterloo	31	20	10	1	41	128	98
Chicago	34	18	15	1	37	113	121
Des Moines	29	6	20	3	15	89	134

WEST DIVISION

Team	GP	W	L	OTL	PTS	GF	GA
Lincoln	32	21	10	1	43	103	78
Omaha	33	17	12	4	38	112	108
Fargo	35	16	18	1	33	101	107
Sioux Falls	33	14	17	2	30	101	109
Sioux City	33	12	18	3	27	101	112
Tri-City	33	6	27	0	12	79	172

Stephane Da Costa paced the Musketees on offense Friday with a goal and three assists in their 12-4 win over Tri-City at the Tyson Events Center.

RECENT RESULTS

Saturday, January 17, 2009

Green Bay 8 Indiana 4
 Chicago 4 Des Moines 3
 Waterloo 4 Fargo 1
 Sioux City 4 Cedar Rapids 3, SO
 Sioux Falls 6 Tri-City 1
 Lincoln 5 Omaha 3

Friday, January 16, 2009

Indiana 6 Chicago 2
 Sioux Falls 5 Lincoln 1
 Fargo 4 Waterloo 2
 Cedar Rapids 3 Des Moines 2
 Sioux City 12 Tri-City 4

Wednesday, January 14, 2009

Sioux City 2 Lincoln 1

Tuesday, January 13, 2009

Indiana 3 Cedar Rapids 2, SO

Sunday, January 11, 2009

Chicago 6 Des Moines 4
 Fargo 4 Tri-City 2

Saturday, January 10, 2009

Indiana 2 Omaha 1, SO
 Lincoln 4 Fargo 3
 Cedar Rapids 4 Waterloo 0
 Green Bay 5 Chicago 0
 Sioux City 6 Tri-City 0

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 21, 2009

Des Moines at Sioux Falls
 Green Bay at Waterloo

Friday, January 23, 2009

Sioux City at Indiana
 Fargo at Omaha
 Waterloo at Sioux Falls
 Des Moines at Lincoln
 Tri-City at Green Bay
 Cedar Rapids at Chicago

Saturday, January 24, 2009

Fargo at Des Moines
 Sioux City at Waterloo
 Tri-City at Green Bay
 Lincoln at Cedar Rapids
 Sioux Falls at Omaha
 Indiana at Chicago

Sunday, January 25, 2009

Sioux City at Cedar Rapids

Tuesday, January 27, 2009

Tri-City at Omaha

Wednesday, January 28, 2009

Waterloo at Indiana

SCORING LEADERS

Player	Team	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
Andrew Miller	CHI	33	22	32	54	49
Craig Smith	WAT	27	18	24	42	67
Mike Seidel	CR	30	17	25	42	18
Kirt Hill	LIN	30	15	24	39	54
Pat Mullane	OMA	31	19	18	37	14
Mike Cichy	IND	28	12	25	37	11
Stanislav Galiev	IND	32	16	20	36	26
B. Richardson	IND	28	12	24	36	64
David Eddy	SF	33	14	21	35	42
Kyle Flanagan	CR	31	10	24	34	14

GOALTENDING LEADERS

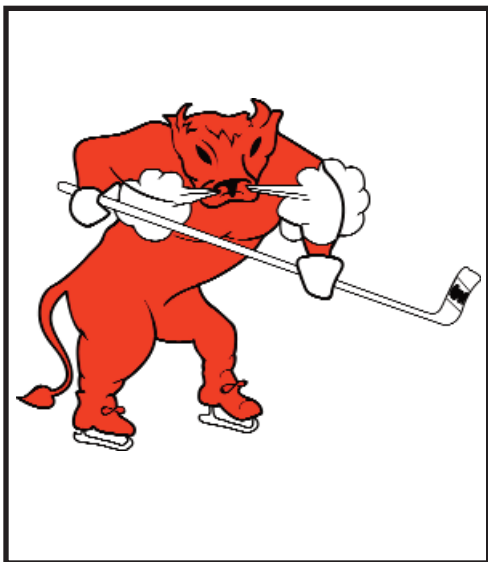
Player	TM	GP	W-L-SOL	GAA	SV%	SO
Anthony Borelli	LIN	12	8-3-0	1.83	.932	1
Troy Grosenick	CR	12	7-2-2	1.87	.925	1
Mike Johnson	CR	20	13-6-1	2.25	.914	2
Kevin Murdock	LIN	19	12-6-1	2.29	.914	1
Brett Bennett	IND	29	19-8-2	2.62	.912	0

QUOTABLE

"We played well from the start. Those early goals we scored took the wind out of them. From the first shift, you have to be ready from the first drop of the puck."

Sioux City Head Coach Todd Knott to the Sioux City Journal after his team erupted for 12 goals on Friday night in a 12-4 win over Tri-City.

The USHL at 30 Years



The Austin Mavericks were one of the charter franchises of the USHL when it went all-junior in 1979. A carry-over from the USHL's pro era, the Mavericks were at or near the .500 mark in each of the first six seasons. That sixth season, 1984-85, the Mavericks enjoyed their best season as a junior team, sporting a 39-8-1 record and claiming their first, and only, Anderson Cup. Regular season success didn't transfer to the playoffs, however, as it was Dubuque who brought home the Clark Cup.

The team was led NHL draft pick Mike DeCarle and Brad Atol up front. They also had a trio of formidable defensemen in USHL defensive scoring king Mike Castellano, All-USHL selection Rob Pallin and a youngster named Mike Hastings.

The season was bittersweet for Austin, as after the season the franchise moved to Rochester and became the Mustangs.

USHL INSIDER

12 Times At Tyson: Sioux City put up 12 goals on Tri-City in Friday's game. The last time the Musketeers hit double digits in goals was November 5, 2005.

All But One: Of the 18 Sioux City skaters in uniform on Friday night, 17 of them recorded at least one point. Nine players enjoyed multi-point games. The two goaltenders and defenseman Chase Drake were the only ones to go pointless in the game.

More From Sioux City: Ten players scored goals in the game for the Musketeers, with Austin Mattson and Adam Pawlick each scoring twice.

Mike Makes A Mark: Last week Mike Cichy was traded from Tri-City to Indiana. All he did was put up eight points in his first two games with the Ice. He scored the game-winning goal and had three assists in Friday's 6-2 win over Chicago. On Saturday, he factored in on every Ice goal with another goal and three assist performance in an 8-4 loss to Green Bay.

This Mike, Too: Mike Merrifield scored two goals, including the game-winner and added an assist in Green Bay's only game of the week, an 8-4 win over Indiana on Saturday.

And Don't Forget This Mike: Mike Seidel scored all the goals in Cedar Rapids' 3-2 win over Des Moines on Friday.

Simply "Sioux"per: Sioux Falls has won four straight and outscored opponents 20-4 in those games.

Where They Come From: The USHL announced the rosters for the 2009 Prospects/All-Star Game last week. 40 players were chosen to participate in the game, representing 13 states and four foreign countries. Minnesota led the way with nine players in the game, followed by Michigan, who had six players. California, Wisconsin and New York had three players each.

Earning Their Stripes: Former USHL officials Shane Warschaw and Mike Hamilton were chosen to be part of the officiating crew in the ECHL All-Star Game - Warschaw as a referee and Hamilton as a linesman.

LATEST COLLEGE COMMITMENTS

Rob Linsmayer (CHI) - Holy Cross
 Chris Saracino (GB) - RIT
 David Makowski (GB) - Denver
 Ryan Daugherty (Oma) - Northern Michigan
 Alex Gerke (TC) - Connecticut
 Jake Newton (Lin) - Northeastern
 Torey Krug (Ind) - Michigan State
 Brandon Richardson (ind) - Nebraska-Omaha
 Darren Rowe (CR) - Massachusetts
 Garrett Vermeersch (Lin) - Northeastern
 Chris Forfar (Lin) - Michigan State
 Eriah Hayes (Wat) - Minnesota State

STAT OF THE WEEK

Think it's easy to score goals in the USHL? Think again. The 12 goals that Sioux City scored on Friday night were the most goals scored in a USHL game since the Lincoln Stars netted 14 on October 27, 2000.

SPECIAL TEAMS REPORT

totals are team's percentages

Team	PP	PK	Total
Cedar Rapids	18.78	87.30	106.08
Lincoln	16.57	88.78	105.35
Sioux City	22.44	81.29	103.73
Waterloo	18.13	83.25	101.38
Green Bay	18.30	82.82	101.12
Omaha	17.95	82.02	99.97
Indiana	18.13	81.80	99.93
Chicago	17.65	80.63	98.28
Des Moines	17.88	79.63	97.51
Fargo	11.89	83.80	95.69
Sioux Falls	13.11	81.68	94.79
Tri-City	12.05	78.48	90.53



USHL ALUMNI IN THE NHL
as of January 19, 2009

Andrew Alberts (Waterloo)	Philadelphia
Tyler Arnason (Fargo-Moorhead)	Colorado
David Backes (Lincoln)	St. Louis
Keith Ballard (Omaha)	Florida
Jason Blake (Waterloo)	Toronto
Jared Boll (Lincoln)	Columbus
Adam Burish (Green Bay)	Chicago
Chris Butler (Sioux City)	Buffalo
Matt Carle (Omaha)	Philadelphia
Ryan Carter (Green Bay)	Anaheim
Scott Clemmensen (Des Moines)	New Jersey
Erik Cole (Des Moines)	Edmonton
Sean Collins (Sioux City)	Washington
Tim Conboy (Topeka)	Carolina
Ty Conklin (Green Bay)	Detroit
Joe Corvo (Omaha)	Carolina
Joey Crabb (Green Bay)	Atlanta
Patrick Davis (Sioux City)	New Jersey
Mark Eaton (Waterloo)	Pittsburgh
Dan Ellis (Omaha)	Nashville
Ruslan Fedotenko (Sioux City)	Pittsburgh
Jeff Finger (Green Bay)	Toronto
Sam Gagner (Sioux City)	Edmonton
Nathan Gerbe (Omaha)	Buffalo
Tom Gilbert (Chicago)	Edmonton
Alex Goligoski (Sioux Falls)	Pittsburgh
Matt Greene (Green Bay)	Los Angeles
David Hale (Sioux City)	Phoenix
Martin Hanzal (Omaha)	Phoenix
Jack Hillen (Tri-City)	NY Islanders
Tim Jackman (Twin Cities)	NY Islanders
Ryan Johnson (Thunder Bay)	Vancouver
Tim Kennedy (Sioux City)	Buffalo
Rostislav Klesla (Sioux City)	Columbus
Chad LaRose (Sioux Falls)	Carolina
Brian Lee (Lincoln)	Ottawa
Trevor Lewis (Des Moines)	Los Angeles
Ryan Malone (Omaha)	Tampa Bay
Peter Mannino (Tri-City)	NY Islanders
Drew Miller (Omaha)	Anaheim
David Moss (Cedar Rapids)	Calgary
Andreas Nodl (Sioux Falls)	Philadelphia
Kyle Okposo (Des Moines)	NY Islanders
T.J. Oshie (Sioux Falls)	St. Louis
Max Pacioretty (Sioux City)	Montreal
Joe Pavelski (Waterloo)	San Jose
Toby Petersen (Fargo-Moorhead)	Dallas
Chris Porter (Lincoln)	St. Louis
Ryan Potulny (Lincoln)	Edmonton
Tom Preissing (Green Bay)	Los Angeles
Teddy Purcell (Cedar Rapids)	Los Angeles
Nate Raduns (Omaha)	Philadelphia
Brian Rafalski (Madison)	Detroit
Kurt Sauer (North Iowa)	Phoenix
Patrick Sharp (Thunder Bay)	Chicago
Brett Skinner (Des Moines)	NY Islanders
Trevor Smith (Omaha)	NY Islanders
Paul Stastny (Omaha)	Colorado
Yan Stastny (Omaha)	St. Louis
Colin Stuart (Lincoln)	Atlanta
Mark Stuart (Rochester)	Boston
Jeff Taffe (Rochester)	Pittsburgh
Bill Thomas (Tri-City)	Pittsburgh
Thomas Vanek (Sioux Falls)	Buffalo
Steve Wagner (Tri-City)	St. Louis
Blake Wheeler (Green Bay)	Boston
Landon Wilson (Dubuque)	Dallas

PRO ALUMNI NEWS

Konrad Reeder (Tri-City) was named MVP of the CHL All-Star Game after scoring four goals and adding an assist as the Colorado Eagles defeated the CHL All-Stars 8-4. Reeder scored one goal in the first period, one in the second and two in the third, the last of which came while shorthanded. Reeder also had five points in last year's CHL All-Star Game.

Blake Wheeler (Green Bay) is currently second in the NHL in plus/minus ranking, coming in at +27. He is one of four Bruins among the top five in the league.

Jason Blake (Waterloo) had a monster game on Thursday, scoring three goals and adding a pair of assists as Toronto beat Carolina 6-4. It was Blake's first hat trick with the Maple Leafs and the five points were a career high. He now has 13 goals on the season, this coming after he scored just 15 with the Leafs a year ago.

Kevin Swider (Omaha) is tied for the top spot in the SPHL's three-star rankings with 33 points. Swider, the top scorer in the SPHL, has been the first star of the game three times this season.

Erik Cole (Des Moines) had a hat trick as Edmonton beat Washington 5-2 on Tuesday. Cole's last hat trick also came against the Capitals, when he scored three against them on November 9, 2006 as a member of the Carolina Hurricanes.

David Hale (Sioux City) waited longer than anyone in history to score his first NHL goal, going 231 games before finding the back of the net. He notched his second career goal in Phoenix's 4-3 win over Calgary on Saturday, night, a mere 12 games after he scored his first.

COLLEGE ALUMNI NEWS

Jay Barriball (Sioux Falls) scored a goal and had a pair of assists in Minnesota's 8-6 win over St. Cloud State on Saturday, giving the Gophers a sweep of the weekend home-and-home series.

Nick Schaus (Omaha) scored his second goal of the season in overtime as Massachusetts-Lowell knocked off Boston College 4-3 on Friday.

Carter Camper (Lincoln) scored a pair of goals and added an assist as Miami crushed Michigan State 6-1 on Saturday. The Redhawks outshot the Spartans 60-13 in the game.

Brett Olson (Waterloo) is now second in goals (5), points (13) and penalty minutes (33) for Michigan Tech. Olson is also among the freshman scoring leaders in the WCHA.

Jimmy Spratt (Sioux City) made 29 saves to record his second shutout of the season (and second of his career) as Bowling Green blanked Michigan 3-0 on Friday.

Blake Kessel (Waterloo) scored his third goal of the season, which turned out to be the game-winner, in New Hampshire's 6-4 win over Dartmouth on Saturday.

Billy Sauer (Chicago) made 19 saves as Michigan bounced back from Friday's loss and shut out Bowling Green 1-0 on Saturday.

Andy Bohmbach (Waterloo) scored twice and added an assist as Wisconsin thumped Colorado College 6-1 on Friday. All six goals scored in the game by the Badgers came from USHL alumni.