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Great Falls Americans Hockey announces NA3HL regular season game schedule for 2020-21

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GREAT FALLS, Mont., September 10, 2020 — The Great Falls Americans Junior A team along with the North American 3 Hockey League (NA3HL) have announced their North American 3 Hockey League (NA3HL) regular season game schedule for the upcoming 2020-21 season.

The slate for the Americans is highlighted by the two teams that finished above the Americans in the Frontier Division standings last season, the Bozeman Ice Dogs (39-7-0-1) and the Sheridan (WY) Hawks (35-11-1-1). Both Bozeman and Sheridan will each meet Great Falls four times this season (2 home/2 away games). The schedule set up by the league also has two Thursday night, one Sunday and Monday night contests in addition to the Friday and Saturday evening contests.

The league released the Frontier Division's 43-regular season game schedule on Thursday, September 10, 2020 as well as the other four divisions (Central, East, West, and South) during the week of September 9th. All regular season games, which begin on Friday, October 2nd and will end on Sunday, March 14th, are subject to change due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus that could affect the contests.

Great Falls, entering their tenth season of junior hockey, will have 20 home dates at the [Great Falls Ice Plex](#). The Americans, who enter their seventh season of competition in the Frontier Division of the [North American 3 Hockey League \(NA3HL\)](#), open the hockey season with a pair of home games against the Cobras in Great Falls on October 2nd and 3rd. The Americans home games begin at 7:30PM (MST) except for their lone Sunday contest (October 25th) that will start at 5:00PM (MST). All home and away games can be seen on the league's webcast subscription service, [HockeyTV](#).

****There will be a limited seating capacity of [125 people](#) total inside the Great Falls Ice Plex for the upcoming 2020-21 season due to COVID-19.**

The Americans will conduct their first practice this season on Monday, September 14th under the direction of Head Coach/General Manager, Greg Sears, who enters his third season at the helm of the Great Falls junior hockey squad.

In addition to the four other Montana-based NA3HL squads (Bozeman Ice Dogs, Helena Bighorns, Missoula Jr. Bruins, and the Butte Cobras), Wyoming also has three squads competing including the Yellowstone Quake (Cody, WY), Gillette (WY) Wild and the Sheridan (WY) Hawks this season.

The NA3HL also announced three events during the 2020-21 season including the annual [NA3HL \(league-wide\) Showcase](#) (**CANCELLED THIS YEAR DUE TO COVID-19**) taking place from December 20-22, 2020 in Blaine, Minnesota that feature all 31 teams. In February 2021, the [NA3HL Top Prospects Tournament](#) returns to Attleboro, Massachusetts and the 2020-21 season will be capped off by the 2021 [NA3HL Fraser Cup Championship Tournament](#) that crowns the NA3HL's playoff champion (March 30 – April 3) in Chicago, Illinois.

In December's Showcase tournament in Blaine, Minnesota, each of the 31 league members in 15 states will play against other division teams featuring three games in three days. The contests will count in the overall standings and feature coaches and scouts from the NCAA, junior college ranks and the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA).

Seven weeks after the Showcase tournament, the second major event is the Top Prospects Tournament hosted for the third consecutive season at the New England Sports Village in Attleboro, Massachusetts that will highlight the NA3HL's best players in an 'all-star' setting.

The 2021 NA3HL playoffs begin after the regular season concludes in March starting with the Frontier Divisional Playoffs and capped off by the 2021 NA3HL Fraser Cup Championship Tournament that will crown a national champion. The five-day round-robin tournament will take place in Chicago, Illinois from March 30 – April 3, 2021.

View the NA3HL's press releases for each of the league's five divisions below.

Central Division	East Division	Frontier Division	South Division	West Division
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The 2020-21 Americans season schedule is below.

<u>Day/Date</u>	<u>Game</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
OCTOBER			
Fri. Oct. 2	vs. Butte Cobras	7:45PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
Sat. Oct. 3	@ Butte Cobras (played in Great Falls)	7:30PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
Fri. Oct. 9	vs. Helena Bighorns	7:30PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
Sat. Oct. 10	@ Bozeman Ice Dogs	7:30PM	Haynes Pavilion, Bozeman, MT
Fri. Oct. 16	vs. Gillette Wild	7:30PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
Sat. Oct. 17	vs. Gillette Wild	7:30PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
Sun. Oct. 25	vs. Missoula Jr. Bruins	5:00PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
NOVEMBER			
Sat. Nov. 7	vs. Bozeman Ice Dogs	7:30PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
Fri. Nov. 13	@ Yellowstone Quake	7:30PM	Riley Arena, Cody, WY
Sat. Nov. 14	@ Yellowstone Quake	7:30PM	Riley Arena, Cody, WY
Fri. Nov. 20	@ Missoula Jr. Bruins (played in Helena, MT)	11:30AM	Helena Ice Arena, Helena, MT
Sat. Nov. 21	vs. Missoula Jr. Bruins	7:30PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
Fri. Nov. 27	vs. Butte Cobras	7:30PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
Sat. Nov. 28	vs. Missoula Jr. Bruins	7:30PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
DECEMBER			
Fri. Dec. 4	@ Helena Bighorns	12:00PM	Helena Ice Arena, Helena, MT
Sat. Dec. 5	@ Helena Bighorns	7:05PM	Helena Ice Arena, Helena, MT
Fri. Dec. 11	vs. Helena Bighorns	7:30PM	Great Falls Ice Plex
Fri. Dec. 18	@ Gillette Wild	7:00PM	Spirit Hall Ice Arena, Gillette, WY
Sat. Dec. 19	@ Gillette Wild	7:00PM	Spirit Hall Ice Arena, Gillette, WY
Sun. Dec. 20	NA3HL Showcase		NSC Super Rink, Blaine, MN
CANCELLED	@ TBA	0:00PM (MST)	
Mon. Dec. 21	NA3HL Showcase		NSC Super Rink, Blaine, MN
CANCELLED	@ TBA	0:00PM (MST)	
Tues. Dec. 22	NA3HL Showcase		NSC Super Rink, Blaine, MN
CANCELLED	vs. TBA	0:00PM (MST)	
Thurs. Dec. 31	vs. Butte Cobras	7:30PM	Great Falls Ice Plex

JANUARY			
Fri. Jan. 1	vs. Missoula Jr. Bruins	7:30PM	<u>Great Falls Ice Plex</u>
Sat. Jan. 2	vs. Helena Bighorns	7:30PM	<u>Great Falls Ice Plex</u>
Mon. Jan. 4	vs. Missoula Jr. Bruins	11:30AM	<u>Great Falls Ice Plex</u>
Fri. Jan. 8	vs. Sheridan Hawks	7:30PM	<u>Great Falls Ice Plex</u>
Sat. Jan. 9	vs. Sheridan Hawks	7:30PM	<u>Great Falls Ice Plex</u>
Fri. Jan. 15	@ Sheridan Hawks	7:30PM	Whitney Rink in the M&M's Center, Sheridan, WY
Sat. Jan. 16	@ Sheridan Hawks	7:30PM	Whitney Rink in the M&M's Center, Sheridan, WY
Sat. Jan. 23	@ Butte Cobras	7:05PM	Butte Community Ice Center, Butte, MT
Fri. Jan. 29	vs. Yellowstone Quake	7:30PM	<u>Great Falls Ice Plex</u>
Sat. Jan. 30	vs. Yellowstone Quake	7:30PM	<u>Great Falls Ice Plex</u>
FEBRUARY			
Fri. Feb. 5	@ Missoula Jr. Bruins	7:05PM	Glacier Ice Rink, Missoula, MT
Mon. Feb. 8	<u>NA3HL Top Prospects Tournament</u>		<u>New England Sports Village, Attleboro, MA</u>
	Frontier Division vs. TBA	0:00AM (MST)	<u>Frontier Roster</u> <u>TBA Roster</u>
	Frontier Division vs. TBA	0:00PM (MST)	<u>Frontier Roster</u> <u>TBA Roster</u>
Tues. Feb. 9	<u>NA3HL Top Prospects Tournament</u>		<u>New England Sports Village, Attleboro, MA</u>
	Frontier Division vs. TBA	0:00AM (MST)	<u>Frontier Roster</u> <u>TBA Roster</u>
Sat. Feb. 13	@ Butte Cobras	7:05PM	Butte Community Ice Center, Butte, MT
Fri. Feb. 19	vs. Butte Cobras	7:30PM	<u>Great Falls Ice Plex</u>
Sat. Feb. 20	vs. Bozeman Ice Dogs	7:30PM	<u>Great Falls Ice Plex</u>
Sat. Feb. 27	vs. Helena Bighorns	7:30PM	<u>Great Falls Ice Plex</u>
MARCH			
Fri. Mar. 5	@ Helena Bighorns	7:05PM	Helena Ice Arena, Helena, MT
Sat. Mar. 6	@ Bozeman Ice Dogs	7:30PM	Haynes Pavilion, Bozeman, MT
Sat. Mar. 13	@ Helena Bighorns	7:05PM	Helena Ice Arena, Helena, MT
End of Regular Season			

[Click here](#) to view the entire 2020-21 team-by-team schedule.

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