BALDY'S PUCK DROP

Weekly E-Newsletter November 19th, 2026

Dear Great Falls Americans Enthusiast:

The Sidney trip for a two-game set with Yellowstone did not go as planned. Despite 67 shots on goal Friday night, way too many mistakes were made as the Americans fell 7-4. Untimely turnovers and poor execution offset any efforts on the offensive end, and it simply was not an acceptable outcome. Saturday night the execution was a little better, but enough mistakes were made and a lack of composure and discipline in all aspects of the game warranted a 4-2 loss with another empty net goal. Jase Troyer tallied 5 points on the weekend while Xander Troyer chipped in three points which pretty much sums up the highlights. Also of note, the Yellowstone goalkeeper was rewarded with Frontier Division Player of the Week Honors for his, and our, efforts on the weekend.

The coming weeks prior to the Showcase will set the tone for this team. The staff likes the skill set and the character of what we have left after a few trades over the last few weeks, but it is also time to take the next step and put ourselves in a solid playoff position for the second half of the season. As I mentioned last week, being a young team at this point in the season is no longer an excuse for a lack of effort or execution.

We head into a one game weekend throughout the league to allow for those players selected for the Top Prospects Event to travel to Massachusetts to play on Sunday and Monday. The Americans have one game in Butte on Friday night and as always, you can catch the game at our official watch party location- **Buffalo Wild Wings** – with puck drop scheduled for 7:30. As a reminder, Xander Troyer and Gordon Jennings were selected to represent the Americans at the Top Prospects Tournament and will play for Team Frontier Division. They will play at 3:30 PM MST on Sunday and then 8:30 AM MST on Monday with both games being available for viewing on NAHLTV. Good luck Xander and Gordy and safe travels.

The Americans next home game is November 28th as we host Bozeman and it will be our first $2 beer night – presented by **Gusto Distributing**. Small domestic beers will be $2 while small craft beers will be $3. For those looking for a little extra with the red cups, those beers will be discounted $2 as well. I know there is a lot going on over the holiday weekend, but let's make sure we still pack the Ice Plex and support our team as we approach the half-way point of the season.

We have several activations coming up through DASH in the coming weeks as we prepare for the holidays. We will have a Black Friday and Cyber Monday sale on DASH starting on Thanksgiving and through the weekend. Next up will be a special promotion where you can order a customized Baldy "locker plate"- the perfect holiday gift for the hockey player, or athlete, young and old. The next activation to look for is in conjunction with the **Russell Country Federal Credit Union** "Teddy Bear Toss" on December 12th. As part of the festivities, we will be auctioning off a very limited number of (nine total) special Teddy Bear/Christmas themed jerseys with the proceeds benefitting a program we will run next summer with **Russell Country FCU** that will allow under-privileged kids to experience ice sports during a summer camp type format. Finally, the return of the **Great Falls Americans 12 Days of Christmas** activation will round out the Christmas Holiday. Simply buy a Baldy Christmas ornament where





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you will automatically be entered into a contest where a different mystery package winner of Americans' swag and memorabilia will be drawn each day from December 13th-24th. We did this for the first time last season, and it was a huge hit - so we look forward to continuing the tradition of making a few of our fans holiday a little more special. Use the QR code to the right to activate with DASH and take advantage of all the opportunities coming up.

The Americans are volunteering their time this morning to unload Christmas Trees for the Uptown Optimist Club before practice. This has become an annual volunteer event as it will take the Americans about an hour to unload two semi-loads of trees at the fairgrounds, and they will head to practice straight from there.

We'll be back next week with a special Thanksgiving Day edition of Baldy's Puck Drop and will have more information on the holiday activations and activities that makes it a special hockey time of the year. And finally, congrats, once again, to the Team USA Women's National team for claiming the 2026 Women's World Championship with a 6-2 win over our neighbors to the north.

Player Profile – #36 Jarrett Parker (Grimes, IA) 6'1" 185 lbs. FOR– Shoots Left DOB 09/06/2007



Favorite Team: Chicago Blackhawks **Favorite Player:** Patrick Kane
Favorite Movie: Cars **Favorite Actor/Actress:** Shane Gillis
Favorite Food: Sushi **Favorite Pre-Game Meal:** Chicken and Rice
If you were animal: A Wolf – I like sticking with a team, family and friends
Musical Group You Won't Miss in Concert: Led Zeppelin
Pre-Game Hype Music: Rock
One Person to be stuck with on a deserted Island: Elon Musk
Hobbies other than Hockey: Music, races, working out
Three People you would like to invite to Dinner:
Shane Gillis, Joe Rogan, Connor McGregor
College/University of Choice: Pursuing my own business in life insurance sales
Like Most About Great Falls: The community-everyone is so welcoming and joyful
How would you define a successful season: Winning the Fraser Cup

Here are the upcoming and special dates to add to your calendar:

- November 20th - Away game at Butte. 7:30 PM with Official Watch Party at **Buffalo Wild Wings.**
- November 22nd -23rd – Top Prospects Tournament (2006-2007 Birth Years) Marlborough, MA.
- November 27th-30th – Black Friday and Cyber Monday Sale on **DASH**.
- November 28th **–** Home game versus Bozeman. 7:05 PM Puck Drop and $2 beer night presented by **Gusto Distributing**.
- December 5th – Home game versus Helena and Salute to 10U Hockey Night. 7:05 PM.
- December 6th – Away game versus Bozeman. 5:15 PM with Official Watch Party at **Buffalo Wild Wings.**
- December 11th- Home game versus Yellowstone and Salute to 8U Hockey Night. 7:05 PM.
- December 12th – 2nd Annual **Russell Country Federal Credit Union** "Teddy Bear Toss".
- December 20th-22nd – NA3HL Showcase, Blaine, MN.
- January 8th and 15th – Rodeo/Rancher Appreciation.

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- February 12th and 13th – Local Business Appreciation presented by **Comparion Insurance- Todd Neighbor** and **Great Falls Chamber of Commerce.**
- March 12th – Home game versus Badlands Sabres – Billet Appreciation presented by **Toyota.**
- March 13th - Home game versus Bozeman – Fan Appreciation presented by **Toyota.**

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