



MSUB VOLLEYBALL
WEEKLY RELEASE
NOVEMBER 3, 2008

2008 MSUB Volleyball Schedule

AUGUST

29	Chico State!	L, 0-3
	Sonoma State!	L, 0-3
30	San Francisco State!	L, 1-3
	Cal State Stanislaus!	L, 0-3

SEPTEMBER

5	Palm Beach Atlantic@	L, 0-3
	Fort Lewis College@	L, 0-3
6	Abilene Christian@	L, 0-3
	Dixie State@	W, 3-2
11	Alaska Fairbanks*	L, 1-3
12	Notre Dame De Namur#	W, 3-1
	University of Mary#	L, 2-3
13	Northern State#	L, 1-3
	Hawaii-Hilo#	L, 0-3
18	at Central Washington*	L, 0-3
20	at Western Washington*	L, 0-3
23	Rocky Mountain College	W, 3-0
27	Western Oregon*	L, 0-3

OCTOBER

2	Northwest Nazarene*	L, 0-3
4	Seattle Pacific*	W, 3-0
6	Alaska Anchorage*	W, 3-1
9	at Saint Martin's*	L, 1-3
11	at Western Oregon*	L, 0-3
14	at Rocky Mountain College	L, 2-3
23	Western Washington*	L, 0-3
25	Central Washington*	L, 0-3
30	at Northwest Nazarene*	L, 0-3

NOVEMBER

1	at Seattle Pacific*	L, 0-3
6	at Alaska Fairbanks*	7:00 p.m.
8	at Alaska Anchorage*	7:00 p.m.
13	Saint Martin's*	7:00 p.m.

- Bold** Home Match
 * GNAC Match
 ! Seawolf Spike- Rohnert Park, Calif.
 @ Fort Lewis Tournament - Durango, Colo.
 # MSUB Tournament - Billings, Mont.

THIS WEEK: Montana State Billings is on the road for the final time this season. They will play Alaska Fairbanks on Thursday, Nov. 6 and Alaska Anchorage on Saturday, Nov. 8. Both matches are scheduled to start at 7:00 p.m.

ALASKA ANCHORAGE: The Seawolves (13-13, 5-8 GNAC) are coming off a tough 3-2 loss to No. 24 Western Washington. Rhea Cardwell is averaging 4.30 kills per game. Calli Scott quarterbackes the offense with 10.53 assists per game. UAA leads the series 26-6 although MSUB has won the last three meetings.

ALASKA FAIRBANKS: The Nanooks (15-7, 9-4 GNAC) are led by Korlyn Bolster with 3.26 kills per game, 65 total blocks and a .313 hitting percentage. Megan Thigpen is averaging 3.36 digs per game. UAF leads the series 18-15.

LAST WEEK: The Yellowjackets had a tough week as they dropped both matches. Northwest Nazarene was pressed hard in a 3-0 (25-14, 25-23, 25-21) win Thursday, Oct. 30.

For Montana State Billings, Devon Crotteau had another solid night with 13 kills and 11 digs while hitting .429. Ashley Welborn sizzled the nets with a .357 hitting percentage. Jill Trabing collected 10 digs.

Two milestones were reached for MSUB. Crotteau became the 10th player in school history to record 800 career kills. She has 812 for the Jackets. Jessica Lechner has now played in 401 games, just the fifth player for the Yellowjackets to reach the 400 mark.

Seattle Pacific pounded out a 3-0 (25-19, 25-22, 25-19) win, Saturday, Nov. 1.

For Montana State Billings, Crotteau had 13 kills, 11 digs and hit .367 while Lechner had nine kills and hit a very solid .438. Jill Trabing collected 12 digs. For Crotteau it was her 13th double-double of the season.

Montana State Billings Quick Facts

UNIVERSITY

Name..... Montana State University Billings
Location Billings, Mont.
Founded.....1927 (Formerly Eastern Montana College)
Enrollment.....4,799
Chancellor..... Dr. Ronald Sexton
Director of Athletics..... Dr. Gary Gray
Nickname Yellowjackets
Colors:..... Navy Blue & Gold
Conference Great Northwest Athletic Conference
FacilityAlterowitz Gym
Capacity3,500

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach..... Dana Cordova (McPherson, '99)
Record at MSUB..... First Season
Overall Record174-155, 8 yrs
Assistant Coach..... Maggie Petersen
Student Assistant..... Alana Bowie
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2008 TEAM INFORMATION

2007 Record 18-10
GNAC Record/Finish..... 10-8/5th
Letterwinners Returning/Lost5/4
Starters Returning/Lost2/4

VOLLEYBALL HISTORY

First Season1977
All-Time Record 252-437 (24 years)
Conference Championships2006
NCAA Appearance.....2006
Note - The coaching record is from 1984 to the present. No stats exist from the 1977 to 1980 seasons. MSUB did not field a team from 1981 through 1983.

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LETS GO BOEING: Jennifer Boe was named to the all tournament team at the MSUB Invitational, Fri.-Sat., Spet. 12-13. In 16 games, she had 30 kills (1.88 per game) and led the team with 48 digs for three per game.

NAME TAGS PLEASE: With a new coaching staff and only five veterans on the roster, the Yellowjackets might want to buy some name tags for the early part of the season.

TOP 10 HIT: Devon Crotteau has hit the top 10, in kills that is. She is averaging 3.87 kills per game which ranks her second in the GNAC and 10th in NCAA Division II.

HOWDY COACH: Dana Cordova begins her first season as the head coach at Montana State Billings. She is no stranger to coaching as she has nine years of experience. Cordova was an assistant coach at McPherson College for one season. The last eight seasons has been spent as the head coach at Otero Junior College where she compiled a record of 174-155. Cordova guided the Lady Rattlers to six season of winning at least 20 matches.

LECHNER MOVING UP: Jessica Lechner, the lone senior on the squad, is taking aim at several categories in the career record book. She is sixth in block assists with 189, fifth in games played with 404 and seventh in total blocks with 233.

RECORD WATCH: Devon Crotteau is seventh in service aces (85) and 9th in hitting attempts (2185) and kills (826).

CAN YOU DIG IT: Jill Trabing was all over the floor at the Seawolf Blitz, Aug. 29-30. She came away with 60 digs in 13 games averaging 4.62 per game. Pretty impressive considering that Trabing had 20 digs for the entire season last year.

GNAC PRE-SEASON POLL: Montana State Billings has been picked to finish sixth in the Great Northwest Athletic Conference preseason poll. The Yellowjackets received 28 points.

If the poll is any indication, expect a wild and wooly volleyball season in the GNAC. Western Washington, who reached the NCAA Division II championship game, was picked to repeat as conference champs finishing with 69 points. Right behind them were Western Oregon (67), Central Washington (65) and Northwest Nazarene (62). Seattle Pacific received 49 points to finish in fifth.

Rounding out the standings were Alaska Fairbanks in seventh (26), Saint Martin's in eighth (21) and Alaska Anchorage in ninth (18). Of the top four teams, all but Central Washington qualified for the NCAA West Regional Championships last year.

2008 Montana State Billings
Volleyball Roster

No.	Name	HT	YR	Pos.	Hometown (School)
1	Jennifer Boe	5-8	So.	OH	Casper, WY (Kelly Walsh)
2	Hillary Morrison	5-10	Jr.	S/RS	Evansville, WY (Chadron State)
3	Whitney Mickelsen	5-3	Fr.	DS	Aurora, UT (North Sevier)
4	Jandi Farnsworth	5-7	So.	OH/RS	Billings, MT (Senior)
5	Jill Trabing	5-8	Jr.	L	Buffalo, WY (Buffalo)
6	Alohanui Pecipaki	5-8	So.	S	Kearns, UT (Otero JC)
7	Devon Crotteau	6-0	Jr.	OH	Casper, WY (Northern Colorado)
8	Rosey Falemaka	5-10	Jr.	MB/RS	Grantsville, UT (Otero JC)
10	Amanda Torbert	5-6	Fr.	S/DS	Fromberg, MT (Fromberg)
12	Ashley Welborn	6-0	Fr.	OH/MB	Billings, MT (Billings Senior)
13	Jessica Lechner	5-11	Sr.	RS/MB	Pompeys Pillar, MT (Huntley Project)
14	Melissa Porter	6-3	Fr.	MB	Redmond, UT (North Sevier)
17	Zahrah Zimmerer	5-7	Fr.	S/DS	Billings, MT (Central Catholic)

Head Coach – Dana Cordova
Assistant Coach – Maggie Petersen
Student Assistant - Alana Bowie

GNAC Standings - November 3, 2008



	Conference	Overall
Western Oregon	11-1	18-2
Western Washington	10-2	18-2
Alaska Fairbanks	9-4	15-7
Northwest Nazarene	8-4	14-7
Central Washington	7-5	15-9
Alaska Anchorage	5-8	13-13
Seattle Pacific	3-10	5-17
Montana State Billings	2-11	5-22
Saint Martin's	1-11	4-17

THIS WEEK IN THE GNAC

THURSDAY - Nov. 6

MSUB at Alaska Fairbanks
C. Washington at Northwest Nazarene
Seattle Pacific at Saint Martin's
Western Washington at Western Oregon

SATURDAY - Nov. 8

MSUB at Alaska Anchorage
Seattle Pacific at Northwest Nazarene
W. Washington at Saint Martin's
Western Oregon at Central Washington

GNAC STATISTICS

Kills

2. Devon Crotteau 3.87

Assists

6. Hillary Morrison 7.15

Service Aces

8. Devon Crotteau 0.28

Digs

9. Jill Trabing 3.42

Hitting Percentage

10. Devon Crotteau .242