



**MSUB VOLLEYBALL**  
**WEEKLY RELEASE**  
**NOVEMBER 12, 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*	W, 3-1
8	at Alaska Anchorage*	L, 2-3
13	Saint Martin's*	7:00 p.m.

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Home Match

\* GNAC Match

! Seawolf Spike- Rohnert Park, Calif.

@ Fort Lewis Tournament - Durango, Colo.

# MSUB Tournament - Billings, Mont.

**THIS WEEK:** Montana State Billings closes out the 2008 season at home, Thursday, Nov. 13, taking on Saint Martin's. The contest will be the final appearance in a Yellowjacket uniform by Jessica Lechner.

**SAINT MARTIN'S:** The Saints (4-19, 1-13 GNAC) are currently in last place. Andrea Tarbet leads the team with 2.58 kills per game. Brianna Bautista is collecting 2.97 digs per game.

**FAREWELL JESSICA:** The contest against Saint Martin's will be the final appearance in a Yellowjacket uniform by Jessica Lechner. She has more than made her mark on the MSUB volleyball program. This season Lechner became just the fifth Jacket to play in 400 career games. She has played in 413 games, which is third best. Lechner also ranks among the top 10 in solo blocks (10th - 44), block assists (6th - 197) and total blocks (7th - 241). She has been a three-time academic all-conference selection.

**LAST WEEK:** The Yellowjackets finished 1-1 on the week. Montana State Billings put a damper on senior night with a 3-1 (25-21, 17-25, 25-19, 25-18) win over Alaska Fairbanks, Thursday, Nov. 6. It was the first win since Oct. 6. For MSUB Devon Crotteau had 19 kills, 10 digs and hit .359 while Jennifer Boe had 12 kills. Hillary Morrison quarterbacked the offense with 37 assists and added 10 digs. The Jackets came away with 10 team blocks led by Jessica Lechner with six and Ashley Welborn with four. Jill Trabing had a solid night with 16 digs.

Alaska Anchorage almost became upset victim number two for Montana State Billings. The Seawolves dug deep for a 3-2 (25-21, 20-25, 24-26, 25-15, 15-9) win over the Yellowjackets, Saturday, Nov. 8. For Montana State Billings Crotteau had 16 kills and 14 digs while Boe had a strong night with 12 kills and 17 digs. Welborn had nine kills and 10 digs and Trabing collected 17 digs.

## 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  
Facility .....Alterowitz Gym  
Capacity .....3,500

### COACHING STAFF

Head Coach..... Dana Cordova (McPherson, '99)  
Record at MSUB..... First Season  
Overall Record .....174-155, 8 yrs  
Assistant Coach..... Maggie Petersen  
Student Assistant..... Alana Bowie  
Volleyball Office Phone ..... 406-657-2603

### 2008 TEAM INFORMATION

2007 Record ..... 18-10  
GNAC Record/Finish..... 10-8/5th  
Letterwinners Returning/Lost .....5/4  
Starters Returning/Lost .....2/4

### VOLLEYBALL HISTORY

First Season .....1977  
All-Time Record ..... 252-437 (24 years)  
Conference Championships .....2006  
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 3.84 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.

**RECORD WATCH:** Devon Crotteau is seventh in service aces (85), seventh in kills (860) and ninth in hitting attempts (2233) and kills.

**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

<b>No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>HT</b>	<b>YR</b>	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Hometown (School)</b>
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 11, 2008**



	<b>Conference</b>	<b>Overall</b>
Western Oregon	13-1	20-2
Western Washington	11-3	19-3
Northwest Nazarene	9-5	15-8
Alaska Fairbanks	9-5	15-8
Central Washington	7-7	15-11
Alaska Anchorage	6-8	14-13
Seattle Pacific	5-10	7-17
Montana State Billings	3-12	6-23
Saint Martin's	1-13	4-19

**THIS WEEK IN THE GNAC**

**WEDNESDAY - NOV. 12**

Seattle Pacific at Seattle

**THURSDAY - NOV. 13**

Alaska Anchorage at Central Washington  
Saint Martin's at MSUB

Northwest Nazarene at Western Oregon  
Alaska Fairbanks at Western Washington

**SATURDAY - Nov. 15**

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

**GNAC STATISTICS**

**Kills**

2. Devon Crotteau 3.87

**Assists**

6. Hillary Morrison 7.29

**Service Aces**

8. Devon Crotteau 0.30

**Digs**

9. Jill Trabing 3.44