



University of Wisconsin Stevens Point

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UW-Stevens Point Football Notes

UW-Eau Claire (5-3, 3-2 WIAC) vs No. 14 UW-Stevens Point (7-1, 4-1 WIAC)
Saturday, November 8 - 1:05 p.m.
Carson Park - Eau Claire, Wis.

2008 WIAC Standings

(Through 11/1)

School	WIAC	Overall
Stevens Point	4-1	7-1
Whitewater	4-1	7-1
Eau Claire	3-2	5-3
Stout	3-2	5-3
River Falls	2-3	3-5
La Crosse	2-3	2-6
Oshkosh	1-4	3-4
Platteville	1-4	3-5

This Week

Saturday, Nov. 8

UW-Stevens Point at UW-Eau Claire 1:00 PM
 UW-River Falls at UW-La Crosse 1:00 PM
 UW-Platteville at UW-Oshkosh 1:00 PM
 UW-Stout at UW-Whitewater 1:00 PM

Last Week

Saturday, Nov. 1

UW-Eau Claire 10, UW-Whitewater 40
 UW-La Crosse 14, UW-Stout 26
 UW-Oshkosh 33, UW-Stevens Point 34
 UW-River Falls 0, UW-Platteville 7

Game Outlook: After a thrilling 34-33 overtime victory against the rival Titans of UW-Oshkosh last weekend, the No. 14 Pointers will travel to face conference foe UW-Eau Claire Saturday at Carson Park. The Pointers are tied for first place and hold the tiebreaker over UW-Whitewater while the Bluegold are just one game behind in third place and received votes in the latest D3football.com poll. If the Pointers win their final two games, they will clinch their first conference title since 2001.

Series History: This marks the 77th meeting between the Pointers and the Bluegold. UWSP holds the all-time lead 40-31-5 in the series, which dates back to 1919. Last season, the Pointers fell to the No. 25 ranked Bluegold 28-7 at Goerke Field.

Last Time Out: The Pointers scored two touchdowns in the last five minutes of regulation and another in overtime to escape with a 34-33 victory against UW-Oshkosh. The Pointers held a three point lead at half, but the Titans scored two quick touchdowns in the second half and another early in the fourth quarter to take a 27-13 lead which set-up the Pointer comeback. Jared Beckwith threw for 470 yards and two touchdowns while Jared Jenkins had 204 yards receiving and a touchdown in the victory.

Radio: The game can be heard live on WKQH (104.9 FM) radio with Scott Krueger calling the play-by-play and Ken Kulick providing the color analysis. Fans can also listen live on the internet by visiting www.b1049.com and clicking the "Listen Live" button. Pregame will begin at 12:50 p.m. with the kickoff set for 1:05 p.m.

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Series Standings	Quick Facts
09/06/08	Webber International	W 23-21	SP leads 2-0-0	Graboski three FG's...Frish named WIAC Player of Week
09/13/08	Iowa Wesleyan	W 45-7	SP leads 4-0-0	329 yards of offense...Krueger INT return for TD
09/27/08	Azusa Pacific	W 10-9	SP leads 1-0-0	Fifth win out of the last six for UWSP by three points or less
10/04/08	at UW-River Falls *	30-36 L	RF leads series 39-25-3	234 yards passing for UWSP...allowed 610 all-purpose yards
10/11/08	UW-Platteville * - Homecoming	W 3-0	SP leads series 46-30-3	Lowest-scoring WIAC game since Oct. 4, 1997
10/18/08	at UW-Stout *	W 19-9	SP leads series 45-16-2	UWS 26 yds rushing...254 yards of penalties by both teams
10/25/08	at UW-Whitewater *	W 17-16	UWW leads series 30-56-0	Jenkins catches TD and two-point conversion try with :15 left
11/01/08	UW-Oshkosh *	W 34-33	SP leads series 57-41-8	Beckwith throws for 470 yards in overtime thriller
11/08/08	at UW-Eau Claire *	1:00 p.m.	SP leads series 40-31-5	UWSP's last win 10/28/06...20-17 W in OT @ EC
11/15/08	UW-La Crosse*-Parents/Senior Day	1:00 p.m.	LC leads series 9-42-4	UWSP's last win 09/29/01...W 17-16 @ LC

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL: Jared Beckwith threw for 470 yards and was named the WIAC Offensive Player of the week. His 470 yards is the highest total in the WIAC this year. The Pointers rank in the top-65 nationally in both passing offense (234.9 ypg) and pass efficiency defense (110.5).

TERRIBLE TWOSOME: Jared Jenkins, who caught 10 passes for 204 yards last week, and Brad Kalsow, who grabbed 12 passes for 134 yards last week, continue to be Beckwith's favorite targets. Both receivers rank in the top-26 nationally in receptions per game.

BALL HOGS: The Pointers lead the WIAC in turnover margin at +9. They have snagged 14 interception and recovered 10 fumbles while turning the ball over just 15 times.

STILL VERY SPECIAL: Although the Pointers special teams struggled at times last week. Kicker Ryan Graboski is ranked second in the nation with 1.88 field goals per game, and punter Luke Frisch is ranked 27th in the nation with 39.44 yards per punt.

WHERE'S THE ENZONE: This game features to excellent defenses. The Pointers defense is ranked 12th nationally and second in the WIAC, allowing just 246.9 ypg. The Blugold defense is also very strong, ranked second in WIAC and 33rd nationally in scoring defense, allowing only 15.75 ppg.

PLAYOFFS?!? PLAYOFFS?!: The Pointers are just two wins away from winning the WIAC and making their first appearance in the playoffs since 2001.

ON THE EDGE OF THEIR SEAT: Pointer fans have been accustomed to watching close games as the Pointers are no strangers to winning close contests. Last week's 34-33 overtime victory over the Titans marks the eight win out of the last nine for the Pointers by three points or less. The past three seasons, the Pointers have won 13 games by three points or less including five in 2006, three in 2007 and five this season.

UWSP NCAA Team Rankings Leaders

	Rank	Actual
Rushing Offense	217	79.75
Passing Offense	47	234.88
Total Offense	141	314.63
Scoring Offense	130	22.63
Rushing Defense	14	72.63
Pass Efficiency Defense	65	110.15
Total Defense	12	246.88
Scoring Defense	38	16.38
Net Punting	34	34.12
Punt Returns	126	8.05
Kickoff Returns	72	20.57
Turnover Margin	20	1.13
Pass Defense	80	174.25
Passing Efficiency	126	115.30
Sacks	41	2.50
Tackles For Loss	29	7.88
Sacks Allowed	24	1.00

UWSP NCAA Individual Rankings

Total Offense Per Game

Jared Beckwith	63	229.38
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Receptions Per Game

Brad Kalsow	21	7.12
Jared Jenkins	T-26	6.75

Receiving Yards Per Game

Brad Kalsow	63	83.25
Jared Jenkins	77	78.50

Field Goals Per Game

Ryan Graboski	2	1.88
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Punting (Min. 3.6 Punts/Game)

Luke Frisch	27	39.44
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Sacks Per Game

Matt Lunder	T-66	.69
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Tackles For Loss Per Game

Matt Lunder	T-56	1.50
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Interceptions Per Game

Bryan Blum	T-18	.62
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2008 WIAC Preseason Poll

(Voted on by WIAC Sports Information Directors)

	2007 Record
1. UW-Whitewater (7)	7-0, 14-1
2. UW-Eau Claire (1)	5-2, 9-3
3. UW-La Crosse	3-4, 5-4
4. UW-Stevens Point	3-4, 6-4
5. UW-Oshkosh	4-3, 7-3
6. UW-River Falls	2-5, 3-7
7. UW-Stout	3-4, 4-6
8. UW-Platteville	1-6, 2-8

CLIMBING THE CHARTS: Climbed up three spots in the latest D3football.com poll thanks to their win and a couple of losses in the top 25. The Pointers are now ranked No. 14. It is their highest ranking in the D3football.com poll since 2003 when they were ranked No. 8. Eau Claire received 16 votes and were ranked as high as No. 7 earlier this year.

American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Division III Poll - Oct. 21

Rank	Team	Record
1.	Mount Union (OH) (39)	8-0
2.	Wabash (IN)	8-0
3.	Muhlenberg (PA)	8-0
4.	North Central (IL)	8-0
5.	Cortland State (NY)	8-0
6.	Millsaps (MS)	8-0
7.	Mary Hardin-Baylor (TX)	7-1
8.	UW-Whitewater (1)	7-1
9.	Willamette (OR)	8-0
10.	Case Western (OH)	8-0
11.	Hardin-Simmons (TX)	8-1
12.	Wesley (DE)	6-1
13.	Otterbein (OH)	8-0
14.	UW-Stevens Point	7-1
15.	Occidental (CA)	7-0
16.	Monmouth (IL)	9-0
17.	RPI (NY)	7-0
18.	Washington & Jefferson (PA)	7-1
19.	Ithaca (NY)	7-1
20.	Trinity (TX)	7-1
21.	Montclair State (NJ)	7-1
22.	Redlands (CA)	6-1
23.	Thomas More (KY)	7-1
24.	Trine (IN)	8-0
25.	Salisbury (MD)	7-2

D3football.com Top 25 - Week 8

Rank	Team	Record
1.	Mount Union (OH) (25)	8-0
2.	North Central (IL)	8-0
3.	Wabash (IN)	8-0
4.	Millsaps (MS)	8-0
5.	UW-Whitewater	7-1
6.	Muhlenberg (PA)	8-0
7.	Cortland State (NY)	8-0
8.	Mary Hardin-Baylor (TX)	7-1
9.	Wesley (DE)	6-1
10.	Willamette (OR)	8-0
11.	Hardin-Simmons (TX)	8-1
12.	Otterbein (OH)	8-0
13.	Case Western Reserve (OH)	8-0
14.	UW-Stevens Point	7-1
15.	Occidental (CA)	7-0
16.	Trinity (TX)	7-1
17.	Salisbury (MD)	7-2
18.	Ithaca (NY)	7-1
19.	Washington & Jefferson (PA)	7-1
20.	RPI (NY)	7-0
21.	Montclair State (NJ)	7-1
22.	Franklin (IN)	7-1
23.	Trine (IN)	8-0
24.	Thomas More (KY)	7-1
25.	Monmouth (IL)	9-0