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UW-Stevens Point Men's Basketball Notes

2007-08 Pointer Schedule/Results

2007-08 Record: 5-1 overall, 1-1 WIAC

Streak: 2-game winning streak

Breakdown: 4-0 home, 1-1 away.

Nov. 17	Carroll	W 105-72
Nov. 19	Northern Michigan	W 77-52
Nov. 24	Lakeland	W 76-38
Dec. 1	at UW-Whitewater	L 83-77
Dec. 5	at UW-La Crosse	W 76-61
Dec. 8	Lawrence	W 75-56
Dec. 10	at Viterbo	7:00 PM
Dec. 12	at Edgewood	7:00 PM
Dec. 15	at Ripon	7:00 PM
Dec. 22	at Augustana (Ill.)	7:30 PM
Jan. 1	at California Lutheran	9:30 PM
Jan. 5	UW-Oshkosh	5:00 PM
Jan. 9	UW-River Falls	7:00 PM
Jan. 12	UW-Platteville	5:00 PM
Jan. 16	at UW-Stout	7:00 PM
Jan. 19	UW-Superior	5:00 PM
Jan. 23	UW-Eau Claire	7:00 PM
Jan. 26	at UW-Oshkosh	3:00 PM
Jan. 30	at UW-River Falls	7:00 PM
Feb. 6	UW-Stout	7:00 PM
Feb. 9	at UW-Superior	5:00 PM
Feb. 13	at UW-Eau Claire	7:00 PM
Feb. 16	UW-Whitewater	5:00 PM
Feb. 20	UW-La Crosse	7:00 PM
Feb. 23	at UW-Platteville	5:00 PM
Feb. 25	WIAC Quarterfinals	TBA

Home games at Quandt Fieldhouse

#4 UW-Stevens Point (5-1 overall, 1-1 WIAC)

vs. Viterbo University (4-6 overall)

Mon., Dec. 10, 7 p.m. - Varsity Athletics Center - La Crosse, Wis.

vs. Edgewood College (2-4 overall)

Wed., Dec. 12, 7 p.m. - Todd Wehr Edgedome - Madison, Wis.

vs. Ripon College (1-4 overall)

Sat., Dec. 15, 7 p.m. - J.M. Storzer Center - Ripon, Wis.

Pointers This Week:

The Pointers hit the road this week as they will play three non-conference games away from Quandt Fieldhouse. They start in La Crosse to face Viterbo on Monday night and then travel down to Madison to face Edgewood College on Wednesday. They finish off the week Saturday at Ripon College.

Broadcast:

The games can be heard live on WKQH (104.9 FM) radio with Scott Krueger calling the play-by-play and John Zellmer providing the analysis. An Internet broadcast will be available at <http://athletics.uwsp.edu/Sports/gen/2007/liveau-diostats.asp>.

Head Coach Bob Semling:

Bob Semling owns a 47-14 career record in his third season as the Pointers' head coach. Semling spent the previous two years as the top assistant with UW-Stevens Point's NCAA Division III championship squads. Semling also coached seven seasons with the Pointers under Bob Parker from 1988-95 before coaching six seasons at UW-Green Bay and one year at New Mexico.

Around the WIAC

WIAC Standings - Dec. 9

	Conf.		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Oshkosh	3	0	7	0
Whitewater	2	1	5	1
Platteville	2	1	5	2
Eau Claire	2	1	5	3
Stevens Point	1	1	5	1
La Crosse	1	1	5	2
River Falls	1	2	3	5
Superior	0	2	1	5
Stout	0	3	3	5

This Week in the WIAC

Monday, Dec. 10

Stevens Point at Viterbo, 7 p.m.
Finlandia (MI) at Superior, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 11

Stout at Michigan Tech, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 12

Carleton (MN) at La Crosse, 7 p.m.

Crown (MN) at River Falls, 7 p.m.

Stevens Point at Edgewood, 7 p.m.

Stout at Finlandia (MI), 5 p.m.

Superior at Northwestern (MN), 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 13

Platteville at Dubuque (IA), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 15

Eau Claire at Finlandia (MI), 1 p.m.

Augustana (IL) at Oshkosh, 7 p.m.

Clarke (IA) at Platteville, 8 p.m.

River Falls at Bethany Lutheran (MN), 7 p.m.

Stevens Point at Ripon, 7 p.m.

Martin Luther (MN) at Superior, 3 p.m.

Pointers Update:

Coming off their first loss of the season, the fourth-ranked UW-Stevens Point men's basketball team went 2-0 this past week defeating UW-La Crosse 76-61 Wednesday night and then handing Lawrence its first loss of the season Saturday with a 75-56 victory.

The Pointers never trailed Wednesday at La Crosse as it scored the first six points of the game. Stevens Point then ended the last seven minutes of the first half outscoring La Crosse 15-4 to take a 41-25 halftime lead.

The Pointers began the second half scoring the first six points to take its biggest lead of the game of 22. La Crosse would not give up that easy however as it came back to cut the lead to seven with just less than 10 minutes remaining. With the lead still seven at the 7:32-mark, the Pointers went on a 11-2 run over the span of four minutes to seal the deal as Stevens Point went on to win by a score of 76-61.

Jerome Wotachek scored a career-high 17 points and pulled down eight rebounds. **Bryan Beamish** finished with a double-double with 16 points and a career-high 12 rebounds.

On Saturday, Lawrence had an early 6-2 lead with 17:58 left in the first half, but the Pointers then went on a 21-2 run over the next seven minutes to take a 23-8 lead with over 11 minutes left in the half.

The Pointers put away any hope the Vikings had of a comeback early in the second half when they outscored Lawrence 11-3 in the first four minutes. Stevens Point ended up winning by a final score of 75-56.

Steve Hicklin tied for game-high with 16 points. **Louis Hurd** added 14 points off the bench, Bryan Beamish chipped in with 13 points, while Jerome Wotachek had 11 points and a team-high eight rebounds. **Khalifa El-Amin** had a season-high six assists to lead the Pointers.

Team Notes:

* - The Pointers have only faced Viterbo and Clarke College (IA) from the Midwest Collegiate Conference. Stevens Point lost its only meeting to Clarke College on December 31, 2005.

* - UW-Stevens Point is 62-6 all-time against teams from the Northern Athletics Conference. Three of the losses have come to Edgewood, two to Lakeland College, and one to Concordia University (WI).

* - UW-Stevens Point has won 25 straight games against Midwest Conference opponents dating to a 68-51 loss at Ripon in 1976-77. Since then, the Pointers have beaten St. Norbert eight times, Lawrence seven times, Carroll six times and Ripon four times.

* - UW-Stevens Point leads the conference in scoring defense, allowing just 61.2 points per game. They are outscoring opponents by a conference-best 20.7 points per game.

* - The Pointers have gotten off to quick starts this season, outscoring opponents 254-163 in the first half.

* - UW-Stevens Point is 57-6 in its last 63 games during the months of November and December.

* - Including the postseason, the Pointers are 74-7 in their last 81 games against non-WIAC opponents, dating to January 2000. Four of the seven losses came in 2005-06.

* - The Pointers have not made seven three-pointers the last two games. Prior to that, they had made at least seven three pointers in 31 straight games.

Individual Notes:

* - Freshman forward **Louis Hurd** (Portage) had 14 points off the bench in Saturday's win over Lawrence. Hurd has scored in double figures in the three of the six games this season.

* - Junior forward **Bryan Beamish** (Wisconsin Rapids/Lincoln) scoring has come around the last two games as he has put up 29 points the last two games. He only scored a combined 21 points the first four games. He also had his first career double-double vs. UW-La Crosse with 16 points and a career-high 12 rebounds.

* - Junior Center **Jerome Wotachek** (Mishicot) scored a career-high 17 points vs. La Crosse on Wednesday. Wotachek has scored in double-figures the last three games when he hadn't scored over nine points the previous two seasons.

Scouting the Opponent

Viterbo is coming off a 67-66 victory Thursday night vs. Martin Luther. After starting out the season 1-5, the V-Hawks have won three of their last four games.

The V-Hawks have three players that average in double figures in scoring. Eric Ambrose leads Viterbo with 14.4 points per game, while Cornelious Bardney averages 12.6 points per game. Scott Buschman averages 10.7 points per game and leads the Midwest Collegiate Conference with 9.3 rebounds per game.

Edgewood has lost three of its last four games and is coming off a 83-76 defeat to MSOE. Chris DeMarco leads the Eagles with 22.8 points per game. Charlie Averkamp is second on the squad, averaging 12.8 points per game and a conference-high 9.8 rebounds per contest. The Eagles lead the Northern Athletics Conference with a rebounding margin of + 8.5.

Ripon has lost four straight games since winning its season opener over Marian College. Three of the four losses have been by a slim margin as the Red Hawks fell to UW-La Crosse 70-69, St. Norbert College 61-59, and Knox College 96-90 in double overtime.

Scott Gillespie leads the Red Hawks in scoring, averaging 23.2 points per game. Chris Kellett averages 13.4 points per game.

Series History

The Pointers are 20-3 all-time against Viterbo. The Pointers have won 13 straight meetings since the 1994-95 season. Last season the Pointers defeated the V-Hawks 75-49. Steve Hicklin led the Pointers led Stevens Point with a career-high 25 points.

The Pointers are 14-3 all-time against Edgewood. The Pointers avenged a loss to the Eagles the previous season with a 69-47 victory last year. Steve Hicklin scored 23 points in the win.

The Pointers are 13-9 all-time vs. Ripon College. UW-Stevens Point has not lost to the Red Hawks since the 1976-77 season. The Pointers have won the last four meetings, including a 90-76 victory last season.

D3hoops.com NCAA Division III Rankings

Week 2 - Games thru Dec. 2

Rank	Team (first place votes)	Rec.	Votes	Last
1	Amherst (23)	5-0	623	1
2	Rochester (1)	6-0	556	6
3	Brandeis	6-0	551	7
4	UW-Stevens Point (1)	3-1	520	2
5	Mary Hardin-Baylor	3-0	417	9
6	UW-Whitewater	4-0	414	20
7	Guilford	2-1	408	3
8	Williams	6-0	377	10
9	Virginia Wesleyan	4-1	369	5
10	Augustana	4-1	363	4
11	Hope	3-1	339	16
12	Washington U.	5-2	335	8
13	Plattsburgh State	4-0	325	11
14	Puget Sound	5-0	317	12
15	Capital	5-1	252	18
16	Keene State	5-0	249	19
17	Stevens	6-0	242	21
18	Calvin	4-2	216	15
19	Brockport State	2-1	172	17
20	Lewis and Clark	3-1	156	25
21	Trinity (Conn.)	6-0	148	-
22	St. Thomas	5-1	134	-
23	Elmhurst	3-1	131	13
24	Wheaton (Ill.)	5-1	107	22
25	Wooster	2-2	105	14