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UW-Stevens Point Men's Basketball Notes

2007-08 Pointer Schedule/Results

2007-08 Record: 11-3 overall, 3-2 WIAC

Streak: 2-game winning streak

Breakdown: 6-1 home, 5-2 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	W 91-83
Dec. 12	at Edgewood	W 77-59
Dec. 15	at Ripon	W 71-67
Dec. 22	at Augustana (Ill.)	W 73-63
Jan. 1	at California Lutheran	L 72-70 OT
Jan. 5	UW-Oshkosh	L 73-62
Jan. 9	UW-River Falls	W 87-44
Jan. 12	UW-Platteville	W 70-67
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

#11 UW-Stevens Point (11-3 overall, 3-2 WIAC) vs. UW-Stout (3-11 overall, 0-5 WIAC)

Wed., Jan. 16, 7:00 p.m. - Johnson Fieldhouse - Menomonie, Wis.

vs. UW-Superior (6-7 overall, 2-3 WIAC)

Sat., Jan. 19, 5:00 p.m. - Quandt Fieldhouse - Stevens Point, Wis.

Pointers This Week:

The Pointers will look to carry momentum from last week when they travel to face UW-Stout on Wednesday night and then host UW-Superior on Saturday. The Pointers have won two straight conference games and are right back into thick of things in the conference. Saturday will also be Alumni Day at Quandt Fieldhouse.

Broadcast:

Both 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>. Saturday's game will also be shot by When We Were Young Productions (WWWYP) and will air on Fox Sports Net Wisconsin at a future date to be determined.

Head Coach Bob Semling:

Bob Semling owns a 54-16 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 - Jan. 14

	Conf.		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Whitewater	5	1	12	2
Oshkosh	5	1	11	3
Platteville	4	2	10	4
Stevens Point	3	2	11	3
Eau Claire	2	3	8	6
La Crosse	2	3	7	7
Superior	2	3	6	7
River Falls	1	4	7	7
Stout	0	5	3	11

This Week in the WIAC

Wednesday, Jan. 16

Oshkosh at Eau Claire, 7 p.m.

La Crosse at Platteville, 7 p.m.

Superior at River Falls, 7 p.m.

Stevens Point at Stout, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 19

Eau Claire at River Falls, 5 p.m.

Oshkosh at La Crosse, 5 p.m.

Superior at Stevens Point, 5 p.m.

Stout at Whitewater, 5 p.m.

Pointers Update:

The 11th-ranked UW-Stevens Point men's basketball team got right back into the conference race last week with an 87-44 victory over UW-River Falls on Wednesday night and a thrilling 70-67 victory over UW-Platteville on Saturday night.

The Pointers snapped a two-game losing streak Wednesday night with an 87-44 beating of UW-River Falls. The Pointers defense was aggressive from the start as they forced 24 Falcon turnovers. The Pointers jumped to a 28-8 lead and never looked back.

Steve Hicklin led the way for the Pointers with 16 points. Hicklin was a perfect 6-for-6 from the free throw line.

On Saturday, **Bryan Beamish** hit a three-pointer with three seconds left to lift the Pointers to a big conference win over UW-Platteville with a 70-67 victory at Quandt Fieldhouse. Beamish scored a career-high 22 points in the game, including 15 in the second half.

The Pointers scored the first seven points of the game, but later in the half the Pioneers went on an 8-0 run to take an eight-point lead. The Pioneers had a three-point lead at the half. The Pioneers then extended its lead to nine early in the second half. The Pointers responded with an 8-0 run to cut the lead to one. They then took a 49-45 lead with 11 minutes left in the game.

Platteville then went on an 8-0 run to take a 53-49 lead. Platteville led by six with eight minutes left and led by five with six minutes remaining. **Pete Rortvedt** tied the game up at 63-63 with a three-pointer at 3:18. Both teams then traded baskets over the next two minutes as we were still tied with under a minute remaining. After Platteville missed a three, the Pointers held for the last shot. Bryan Beamish would setup on the left wing and drained the three-pointer with three seconds remaining. It was the first three-pointer attempted by Beamish in the game. Platteville would get a good chance at the end, but the shot was off the mark as the Pointers won 70-67.

Team Notes:

* - The Pointers defeated UW-River Falls by 43 points on Wednesday night. It was the largest margin of victory this season by the Pointers and is the largest since they defeated the Falcons last season by 45 points. The 44 points by the Falcons were the lowest point total by a WIAC team this season.

* - After having of streak of 31 straight games of seven three-pointers or more earlier this season, the Pointers have not made seven three-pointers in the last three games. The Pointers still lead the conference with 121 three-point field goals.

* - UW-Stevens Point has shot well from the free throw line in the last two games. Prior to the River Falls game, the Pointers were shooting 69 % from the charity stripe. In the last two games the Pointers are shooting 84 % (31-37) from the line.

* - The Pointers had a season-high 16 steals vs. River Falls on Wednesday night. It was the most steals in a game since they had 17 steals vs. Upper Iowa in the season opener of the 2002-03 season.

* - The Pointers are outscoring opponents by an average 14.1 points per game this season, which is second best in the conference. The Pointers are outscoring WIAC opponents by an average of 8.8 points per game, which is the best in the conference. The Pointers have the third-best scoring offense (77.6 ppg) and the second-best scoring defense (63.6 ppg) in the WIAC.

* - UW-Stevens Point leads the conference with 219 assists and is second in the conference with a 1.47 assist-to-turnover ratio. The Pointers lead the WIAC with a + 4.36 turnover margin.

Individual Notes:

* - Junior forward **Bryan Beamish** (Wisconsin Rapids/Lincoln) has scored in double-figures in his last three games. He was nearly perfect Saturday vs. Platteville as he shot 9-for-12 from the field, including 1-for-1 on three-point attempts, and 3-for-3 from the free throw line.

* - The Pointers have a couple of players nearing the 1,000-point benchmark as senior guard **Steve Hicklin** (Sussex/Hamilton) needs 28 points and junior forward **Pete Rortvedt** (Minocqua/Lakeland) needs 42 points. Both are 28th and 29th respectively on school's all-time scoring list.

* - Junior guard **Khalifa El-Amin** (Milwaukee/Rufus King) has had five assists in the last two games. Khalifa is tied for second in the conference with 49 assists this season. Khalifa leads the WIAC with a 2.33 assist-to-turnover ratio.

Scouting the Opponent

The UW-Stout Blue Devils have dropped 10 straight games after a 69-61 defeat to UW-La Crosse on Saturday. That game followed a buzzer-beating loss to Ripon College on Wednesday night. The Blue Devils won their tip-off tourney to begin the season and since then are just 1-11.

The Blue Devils are at the bottom of the conference in scoring defense (78.9) and are getting outscored by a conference-worst 7.2 points per game. Stout does lead the conference in steals (116) and offensive rebounds (189).

The Blue Devils have three players averaging in double-figures, led by Miles Webb, who is averaging 17.9 points per game. Jerrel Enerson-Matthews is second on the squad scoring 13.2 points per game. Alex Mason is averaging 10.6 points per game. Mason leads the conference with 31 steals.

UW-Superior had a four-game win streak snapped Saturday when it fell to UW-Oshkosh by a score of 87-72. The Yellowjackets have a young squad with seven talented freshmen.

Three of the Yellowjackets top four scorers are freshmen. One of those freshmen Jake Smith leads the conference in scoring averaging 18.7 points per game. Smith also leads the team with 5.1 rebounds per contest. Sophomore Dwight Hill is second on the team, averaging 16.9 points per game. Hill leads the conference with 79 assists. Freshman Dan Culy is averaging 14.6 points per game and Shane Manor is averaging 10.2 points per game. Culy is third in the conference, averaging 3.10 three-point field goals per game.

The Yellowjackets are second in the conference in scoring with 79.7 points per game. The Yellowjackets are also the best three-point shooting team in the conference, shooting 47 % from beyond the arc. Superior also has a 1.56 assist-to-turnover ratio to lead the conference.

Series History

The Pointers are 87-54 all-time against the Blue Devils.

Stevens Point has won 10 of the alst 11 games and swept the season series last season. In the last meeting the Pointers had to hang on to a one-point win after leading by 18 in the first half.

The Pointers are 87-37 all-time against UW-Superior. Stevens Point has won eight straight games against the Yellowjackets and 15 of the last 17 meetings. The Pointers topped the century-mark in both games against the Yellowjackets last season, beating Superior by an average of 47.5 points per game.

D3hoops.com NCAA Division III Rankings

Week 7 - Games thru Jan. 13

Rank	Team (first place votes)	Rec.	Votes	Last
1	Rochester (19)	12-0	613	1
2	Brandeis (6)	11-1	604	2
3	Amherst	10-2	565	3
4	Mary Hardin-Baylor	11-1	518	6
5	Washington U.	10-2	499	7
6	Hope	10-2	466	8
7	Puget Sound	11-1	464	9
8	Williams	12-1	447	4
9	Augustana	10-3	363	5
10	UW-Whitewater	12-2	352	15
11	UW-Stevens Point	11-3	351	14
12	Elmhurst	11-2	289	10
13	Capital	11-2	288	16
14	Mass-Dartmouth	13-0	283	19
15	Stevens	12-1	282	18
16	UW-Oshkosh	11-3	253	12
17	Guilford	8-3	235	11
18	Wheaton (Ill.)	11-2	208	13
19	Wooster	11-2	204	20
20	Centre	12-1	121	-
21	Plattsburgh State	10-2	117	25
22	Virginia Wesleyan	9-3	110	17
23	Millsaps	12-1	92	-
24	Carnegie Mellon	10-2	75	-
25	Randolph-Macon	10-2	66	-