

# University of Wisconsin Stevens Point

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### **UW-Stevens Point Men's Basketball Notes**

#### 2007-08 Pointer Schedule/Results

2007-08 Record: 14-4 overall, 6-3 WIAC

**Streak:** 1-game losing streak **Breakdown:** 8-1 home, 6-3 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 (III.)	W 73-63				
Jan. 1	at California Lutheran	L 72-70 OT				
Jan. 5	UW-Oshkosh	L 73-62				
Jan. 9	<b>UW-River Falls</b>	W 87-44				
Jan. 12	<b>UW-Platteville</b>	W 70-67				
Jan. 16	at UW-Stout	W 83-77				
Jan. 19	<b>UW-Superior</b>	W 78-57				
Jan. 23	<b>UW-Eau Claire</b>	W 57-44				
Jan. 26	at UW-Oshkosh	L 73-61				
Jan. 30	at UW-River Falls	7:00 PM				
Feb. 6	<b>UW-Stout</b>	7:00 PM				
Feb. 9	at UW-Superior	5:00 PM				
Feb. 13	at UW-Eau Claire	7:00 PM				
Feb. 16	<b>UW-Whitewater</b>	5:00 PM				
Feb. 20	<b>UW-La Crosse</b>	7:00 PM				
Feb. 23	at UW-Platteville	5:00 PM				
Feb. 25	WIAC Quarterfinals	TBA				
Home games at Quandt Fieldhouse						

#12 UW-Stevens Point (14-4 overall, 6-3 WIAC) vs. UW-River Falls (7-10 overall, 1-7 WIAC)

Wed., Jan. 30, 7:00 p.m. - Karges Center - River Falls, Wis.

#### **Pointers This Week:**

The Pointers stay on the road for one game this week at River Falls on Wednesday night. The Pointers defeated the Falcons won 81-73 last season at the Karges Center.

#### **Broadcast:**

The game 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 57-17 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. 28					This Week in the WIAC						
	Conf.		Overall		Wednesday, Jan. 30						
	W	L	W	L	Superior at Eau Claire, 7 p.m.						
Whitewater	7	2	14	3	La Crosse at Whitewater, 7 p.m.						
Platteville	7	2	13	4	Oshkosh at Platteville, 7 p.m.						
Oshkosh	7	2	13	5	Stevens Point at River Falls, 7 p.m.						
Stevens Point	6	3	14	4	•						
Eau Claire	4	5	10	8	Saturday, Feb. 2						
La Crosse	4	5	9	9	Eau Claire at Whitewater, 5 p.m.						
Superior	3	6	7	10	Superior at La Crosse, 5 p.m.						
River Falls	1	7	7	10	Oshkosh at Stout, 5 p.m.						
Stout	1	8	4	14	Platteville at River Falls, 3 p.m.						

#### **Pointers Update:**

The 12th-ranked UW-Stevens Point men's basketball team split its games this week, coming back to defeat UW-Eau Claire 57-44 Wednesday night, but falling to UW-Oshkosh 73-61 on Saturday.

The Pointers finished Wednesday night's game on a 20-3 run to rally past UW-Eau Claire by a score of 57-44.

**Steve Hicklin** became the 27th Pointer men's basketball player to score 1,000 career points after scoring the first four Pointer points. However, Stevens Point only had four points the first 13 minutes of the game and trailed 19-4. The Pointers finished the half strong and trailed 25-21 at half-time.

Stevens Point took its first lead with less than 12 minutes left in the game. The Blugolds regained the lead, but their last field goal of the game came with 9:17 on the clock. The Pointers then finished the game outscoring Eau Claire 20-3 to down the Blugolds 57-44. Hicklin was the only Pointer to score in double-figures as he had a game-high 18 points on 8-of-12 shooting. **Bryan Beamish** had solid performance with eight points, a team-high seven rebounds, four assists, three steals, and two blocks. **Drew Jackson** had eight points and four assists off the bench.

UW-Oshkosh defeated the Pointers for the second time this season by a score of 73-61 at the Kolf Sports Center Saturday.

The Titans jumped out to a 7-2 lead and did not relinquish the lead the rest of the game. The Pointers cut the lead to six with 15 minutes left in the second half, but the Titans went on a 7-0 run and Stevens Point was unable to cut the margin below double-digits the rest of the game.

**Khalifa El-Amin** led the way for Stevens Point with 14 points. **Louis Hurd** added 11 points off the bench and had a team-high four rebounds.

#### **Team Notes:**

- \* In the most recent NCAA Division III statistics, UW-Stevens Point is ranked first in all of NCAA Division III with a 1.46 assist-to-turnover ratio. Also, the Pointers are ranked fourth nationally, averaging 10.6 turnovers per game.
- \* The Pointers had a season-low 22 rebounds on Saturday vs. Oshkosh. It's the lowest rebounding total in a game since they were held to 21 rebounds vs. Platteville last season.
- \* UW-Stevens Point has 23 steals in the last two games. The Pointers are tied with UW-Platteville for the conference-high with 147 steals.
- \* UW-Stevens Point continues to lead the conference with 152 three-point field goals. The Pointers make over eight three-pointers per game.
- \* The Pointers lead the WIAC, holding opponents to 63.4 points per game. They are second in the conference in field goal percentage defense as opponents are shooting 42.6 %.
- \* UW-Stevens Point leads the WIAC with 63 blocks. The Pointers have had five blocks in each of the last three games.
- \* The Pointers were held to 21 points in the first half Wednesday night vs. Eau Claire. It is the lowest since they only scored 20 against UW-Stout February 23, 2006.

#### **Individual Notes:**

- \* Junior forward **Pete Rortvedt** (Minocqua/Lakeland) needs 22 points. to reach 1,000 career points. Rortvedt missed Saturday's game at Oshkosh due to an injury he suffered against UW-Eau Claire on Wednesday.
- \* Junior guard **Khalifa El-Amin** (Milwaukee/Rufus King) scored 14 points on Saturday vs. Oshkosh. El-Amin was 6-for-10 from the field, including 2-for-5 on three-point attempts. It was the second time this season that El-Amin led the Pointers in scoring. El-Amin is ranked 17th in NCAA Division III with a 2.62 assist-to-turnover ratio.
- \* Freshman forward **Louis Hurd** (Portage) had 11 points and four rebounds in 26 minutes off the bench against Oshkosh on Saturday. Hurd also had three steals and two assists.
- \* Freshman guard **Jared Jenkins** (Milwaukee/Rufus King) had his second-highest scoring output of his career in the last three games when he scored seven points on Saturday. Jenkins was 3-for-4 from the field, including his first-career three-pointer. Jenkins also had four steals and three assists.

#### **Scouting the Opponent**

UW-River Falls has lost five straight games since falling in overtime to UW-Whitewater on January 5th. Two of the last five losses have come by four points or less, including a buzzer-beating loss to UW-Superior. The Falcons are coming off a 76-61 loss at La Crosse last Wednesday.

The Falcons are just 1-5 at home this season, including 0-3 in the conference. River Falls is at the bottom of the conference with a .635 free throw percentage. The Falcons also have a league-low 0.83 assist-to-turnover ratio.

Nate Robertson leads the team in scoring averaging 11.2 points per game. Robertson also leads the Falcons with 97 rebounds this season.

Willie Wright is second on the squad scoring 10.4 points per game. DiJon Reese is fourth in the conference with 3.29 assists per game. Danny Johnson leads the WIAC with a .567 (17-30) three-point percentage.

#### **Series History**

The Pointers are 96-38 all-time against UW-River Falls. The Pointers dominated the Falcons in the first meeting, winning by a score of 87-44 at Quandt Fieldhouse. The 43-point margin of victory is the largest of the season by Stevens Point. The Pointers had a season-high 16 steals. Steve Hicklin had 16 points to lead Stevens Point.

#### D3hoops.com NCAA Division III Rankings Week 9 - Games thru Jan. 27

Rank	, Team (first place votes)	Rec.	VotesLast		
1	Washington U. (11)	14-2	598	4	
2	Amherst (8)	16-2	593	3	
3	Rochester (3)	15-1	579	1	
4	Hope	14-2	555	5	
5	Mass-Dartmouth (3)	17-0	533	8	
6	Capital	15-2	470	9	
7	Puget Sound	14-2	411	11	
8	UW-Whitewater	14-3	373	6	
9	Brandeis	12-4	370	2	
10	Augustana	13-4	360	12	
11	Centre	16-1	350	14	
12	UW-Stevens Point	14-4	322	7	
13	Williams	15-3	276	10	
14	Virginia Wesleyan	13-3	273	16	
15	Mary Hardin-Baylor	13-3	269	15	
16	Plattsburgh State	14-2	255	17	
17	Stevens	15-2	211	21	
18	Wooster	14-3	162	23	
19	Lawrence	13-1	138	_	
20	UW-Oshkosh	13-5	126	20	
21	Elmhurst	13-4	112	13	
22	UW-Platteville	13-4	111	_	
23	Guilford	12-4	107	_	
24	Wheaton (III.)	13-4	102	22	
25	St. Thomas	14-3	89	_	