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UW-Stevens Point Men's Basketball Notes

2007-08 Pointer Schedule/Results

2007-08 Record: 17-4 overall, 9-3 WIAC

Streak: 3-game winning streak

Breakdown: 9-1 home, 8-3 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 (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	W 83-77
Jan. 19	UW-Superior	W 78-57
Jan. 23	UW-Eau Claire	W 57-44
Jan. 26	at UW-Oshkosh	L 73-61
Jan. 30	at UW-River Falls	W 71-40
Feb. 6	UW-Stout	W 86-58
Feb. 9	at UW-Superior	W 95-65
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

#9 UW-Stevens Point (17-4 overall, 9-3 WIAC)

vs. UW-Eau Claire (11-11 overall, 5-8 WIAC)

Wed., Feb 13, 7:00 p.m. - Zorn Arena - Eau Claire, Wis.

vs. #2 UW-Whitewater (18-3 overall, 10-2 WIAC)

Sat., Feb. 16, 5:00 p.m. - Quandt Fieldhouse - Stevens Point, Wis.

Pointers This Week:

The Pointers head on the road Wednesday when they face conference rival UW-Eau Claire at Zorn Arena. They then return home to host UW-Whitewater at Quandt Fieldhouse. The Pointers are just a game back from Whitewater, who is tied for first.

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 60-17 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 - Feb. 11

	Conf.		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Whitewater	10	2	18	3
Platteville	10	2	17	4
Oshkosh	10	3	16	6
Stevens Point	9	3	17	4
Eau Claire	5	8	11	11
La Crosse	5	8	10	12
Superior	4	9	8	13
River Falls	2	10	8	13
Stout	1	11	4	17

This Week in the WIAC

Wednesday, Feb. 13

Stevens Point at Eau Claire, 7 p.m.

La Crosse at River Falls, 7 p.m.

Whitewater at Platteville, 7 p.m.

Superior at Stout, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 16

Stout at La Crosse, 5 p.m.

Oshkosh at River Falls, 3 p.m.

Platteville at Superior, 3 p.m.

Whitewater at Stevens Point, 5 p.m.

Pointers Update:

The ninth-ranked UW-Stevens Point men's basketball team dominated its opponents this week with a home win over UW-Stout and a road win over UW-Superior.

The Pointers played a complete game and handed UW-Stout an 86-58 loss on Wednesday. The Pointers scored 43 points each half and shot 52 % in both halves. The Blue Devils scored the first eight points of the game, but the Pointers used an 8-0 run and a 9-0 run in the first half to take a 43-33 lead. Stevens Point then used a 12-0 run in the second half to put Stout away.

Steve Hicklin and **Pete Rortvedt** each had a game-high 18 points to lead Stevens Point. **Jerome Wotachek** had a team-high eight rebounds and Ross Rortvedt led the Pointers with five assists.

On Saturday, the Pointers won by a score of 95-65 over UW-Superior.

It was a game of runs in the first half, but the Pointers put the game away with a 21-2 run the first half. The Pointers then ended the game on a 10-0 run.

The Pointers had five players score in double-figures. Steve Hicklin led the way for Stevens Point with 18 points. Pete Rortvedt had 13 points, **Bryan Beamish** had 14 points, **Khalifa El-Amin** had 12 points, and **Louis Hurd** had 11 points off the bench. El-Amin had a season-high eight assists and just one turnover. Hurd led the Pointers with six rebounds.

Team Notes:

* - UW-Stevens Point had its second-highest scoring output of the season on Saturday by scoring 95 points. The Pointers also had its second-best shooting performance of the year with a field goal percentage of .610. On top of that, they outrebounded the Yellowjackets by 15, the second-biggest rebounding margin this season.

* - The Pointers scored 44 points in the paint on Saturday, the most this season. They are outscoring opponents 554-400 down low and are averaging 26.4 points per game. The Pointer bench is averaging 30.2 points per game, while opponents bench are scoring 11.9 points per game.

* - Since falling at UW-Oshkosh, the Pointers are defeating opponents by an average of 29.7 points per game.

* - UW-Stevens Point is first in the conference, holding opponents to just 62.1 points per game. In games the Pointers have lost this season, teams are averaging 75 points per game.

* - The Pointers lead the WIAC with 178 three-point field goals, 70 blocked shots, 15.62 assists per game, and are second with 167 steals.

Individual Notes:

* - Junior forward **Pete Rortvedt** (Minocqua/Lakeland) became the 28th player in team history to score 1,000 career points on Saturday in Superior. Since missing two games due to injury, Rortvedt is averaging 15.5 points per game.

* - Senior guard **Steve Hicklin** (Sussex/Hamilton) had back-to-back 18 points games last week. Hicklin has scored in double-figures in 16 of 21 games this season and has led the team in scoring eight times this year.

* - Junior guard **Khalifa El-Amin** (Milwaukee/Rufus King) scored 12 points and had a season-high eight assists versus the Yellowjackets on Saturday. El-Amin was 4-for-7 from the field, including 2-for-3 on three-point attempts. He had 10 assists to just one turnover last week and leads the WIAC with a 3.13 assist-to-turnover ratio.

Scouting the Opponent

UW-Eau Claire snapped a five-game losing streak Saturday with a 77-54 win over UW-River Falls. The Blugolds were held to their second lowest scoring total in the first game against the Pointers. They are at the bottom of the conference with a -1.23 assist-to-turnover ratio. They have also made the fewest three-pointers in the league with just 107.

Dan Beyer leads the conference, averaging 18.7 points per game. He has led the team in scoring the last six games. He is third in the conference with 7.3 rebounds per game. Beyer had 17 points and 10 rebounds in the first meeting against the Pointers. Ryan Shea is averaging 13.9 points per game. Shea leads the WIAC with 48 steals. Geoff Probst is the other Blugold averaging in double-figures at 10.9 points per game.

UW-Whitewater has won 11 of the last 12 games, including five straight. The Warhawks are the highest-scoring team in the conference at 81 points per game. They are the best shooting team in the conference with a field goal percentage of .520. They are holding opponents to just 41.8 %. The Warhawks are outrebounding opponents by 9.3 boards per game.

Matt Goodwin leads Whitewater in scoring at 17.7 points per game. Myles McKay is averaging 12.6 points per game and Kori Vernon is averaging 10.3 points per game. Vernon leads the conference with a .677 field goal percentage. Kevin Koski is second in the WIAC with 79 assists.

Rob Perry led Whitewater with 23 points and eight rebounds in the first meeting against the Pointers. Perry will miss Saturday's game due to injury.

Series History

UW-Stevens Point is 77-78 all-time against UW-Eau Claire.

The Pointers have won 14 straight against the Blugolds. The Blugolds had a 16-point lead in the first meeting, but the Pointers scored 20 of the final 23 points to win 57-44.

The Pointers are 93-75 all-time against the Warhawks. Stevens Point had a three-game winning streak against Whitewater snapped as the Warhawks won 83-77 in the first meeting. The Warhawks were 18-for-22 from the free throw line in the second half.

D3hoops.com NCAA Division III Rankings Week 11 - Games thru Feb. 10

Rank	Team (first place votes)	Rec.	Votes	Last
1	Amherst (24)	21-2	624	1
2	UW-Whitewater	18-3	541	4
3	Centre	20-1	508	5
4	Hope	17-3	491	6
5	Mass-Dartmouth (1)	20-1	483	2
6	Rochester	17-3	483	3
7	Washington U.	16-4	474	9
8	Augustana	17-4	452	7
9	UW-Stevens Point	17-4	407	11
10	Brandeis	16-4	404	10
11	Capital	18-3	401	8
12	Plattsburgh State	19-2	325	14
13	Mary Hardin-Baylor	18-3	297	12
14	Wooster	18-3	288	15
15	Guilford	16-4	282	16
16	UW-Platteville	17-4	259	17
17	St. Thomas	19-3	212	19
18	Occidental	19-2	209	20
19	Ursinus	19-2	137	21
20	Stevens	19-3	125	22
21	Puget Sound	16-4	115	13
22	Lawrence	16-2	113	23
23	Virginia Wesleyan	17-5	100	18
24	UW-Oshkosh	16-6	97	24
25	Maryville (Tenn.)	20-2	70	—