



Welcome to *Passing Shots*! This is the first UWSP Tennis Newsletter. Throughout the season, this newsletter will be distributed to keep you updated on the latest tennis news. *Passing Shots* will recap the week's tennis highlights, give you information on upcoming events and introduce you to our current student-athletes. *Passing Shots* is your forum for updates on the Pointer Tennis Community. *Passing Shots* will be published weekly during the season. If you wish to contribute to the newsletter, articles must be submitted by Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. Submit articles to Coach Karlyn Jakusz, at kjakusz@uwsp.edu.

September 1st Match Recap

The UWSP Women's Tennis Team started the season off with a convincing 7-2 win against Edgewood College on Saturday, September 1st. Former SPASH athletes, Rachel Benn and Kaylei Sorensen lead the way at No. 1 doubles winning 8-5. Rachel followed up her doubles win with a 6-3, 6-2 victory at No. 1 singles. Another double winner on Saturday was Mashell VerBockel at No. 4 singles and No. 3 doubles, joined by Emily Oxtton. Picking up additional wins were Emily Riordan at No. 2 singles, Sarah O'Melia at No. 5 singles, and Kaitlyn King (Pacelli Grad) at No. 6 singles.

Singles: No. 1 – Rachel Benn (SP) def. Hannah Pinsack 6-3, 6-2; No. 2 – Emily Riordan (SP) def. Kelsey Steinhorst 6-1, 6-4; No. 3 – Kate Brondyke (EC) def. Kaylei Sorensen 7-5, 6-4; No. 4 – Mashell VerBockel (SP) def. Megan Sura 6-2, 6-1; No. 5 – Sarah O'Melia (SP) def. Katie Schneider 6-2, 6-2; No. 6 – Kaitlyn King (SP) def. Brittany Storhoff 6-2, 6-1.

Doubles: No. 1 – Benn/Sorensen (SP) def. Brondyke/Pinsack 8-5; No. 2 – Steinhorst/Bridget Pendergast (EC) def. King/Riordan 8-4; No. 3 – VerBockel/Emily Oxtton (SP) def. Schneider/Sura 8-2.

2007 Season Preview

The tennis team has six returning student-athletes. Returning as three-year letter winners are Emily Bouché and Mashell VerBockel. Other returning players include: Sarah O'Melia (senior), Kaitlyn King (sophomore), and Emily Riordan (sophomore). Pointer Tennis welcomes Kaylei Sorensen (junior), Rachel Benn (sophomore), Lauren Kluz (freshman), and Emily Oxtton (freshman).

With five of the top six players returning, and the new additions of Rachel, Kaylei, Emily, and Lauren, the 2007 season looks promising. Both Kaylei and Rachel have WIAC Tennis experience playing for conference foes UW-River Falls and UW-La Crosse, respectively. Rachel's experience at playing #2 singles/doubles for the 2006

conference champ, UW-La Crosse, will provide UWSP with championship experience.

2007 Pointer Women's Tennis Roster

Name	Yr.	Hometown/High School
Rachel Benn	So.	Stevens Point/SPASH
Emily Bouché	Sr.	Dane/Sauk Prairie
Kaitlyn King	So.	Plover/Pacelli
Lauren Kluz	Fr.	Sheboygan Falls
Sarah O'Melia	Sr.	Rhineland
Emily Oxtton	Fr.	Manitowoc/Lincoln
Emily Riordan	So.	Appleton/North
Kaylei Sorensen	Jr.	Plover/SPASH
Mashell VerBockel	Sr.	Appleton/Fox Valley Lutheran

At the conclusion of the 2006 season, the returning players took part in an off-season conditioning program developed by Strength & Conditioning Coach, Jon Verdegan. According to Coach Karlyn Jakusz, the extra time and effort in the off-season has already paid off in practice. Hopefully their efforts will push the tennis program to the top of the conference and lead to success.

The season started with the home match against Edgewood College, and concludes with the WIAC Conference Tournament the weekend of October 20th. This season all home matches will take place at the SentryWorld Sports Center. In the event of rain, please check the Pointer website for location updates.

Thanks to SentryWorld for being home to UWSP Pointer Women's Tennis. Come to a UWSP Tennis match and cheer the Pointers to victory!



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2007 Fall Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
9/1/07	Edgewood College	HOME	10:00 a.m.
9/7/07	Carroll College	Waukesha, WI	3:30 p.m.
9/8/07	UW-Whitewater Invite	Whitewater, WI	8:00 a.m.
9/14/07	UW-Eau Claire	HOME	3:30 p.m.
9/15/07	UW-La Crosse & St. Norbert College	HOME	10:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.
9/19/07	Lawrence University	Appleton, WI	3:30 p.m.
9/22/07	WI Lutheran College	Milwaukee, WI	12:00 p.m.
9/28/07	UW-River Falls	River Falls, WI	3:30 p.m.
9/29/07	UW-Stout	Menomonie, WI	10:00 a.m.
10/2/07	UW-Whitewater	HOME	3:30 p.m.
10/6/07	Beloit College	HOME	2:00 p.m.
10/12/07	UW-Oshkosh	Oshkosh, WI	3:30 p.m.
10/20/07-10/21/07	WIAC Conference Tournament	Madison, WI	12:00 p.m. & 8:00 a.m.

Alumni Spotlight



Meet former player Tiffany Serpico (2001-04). Tiffany was a four-year letter winner, voted MVP her senior year, and served as the Assistant Coach in 2005. After graduating in December 2005 with a degree in Business Administration, Tiffany now lives in New Berlin, WI. She works at Associated Bank in the Commercial Banking Division, and

works part-time at the Moorland Tennis Club. Tiffany continues to be active in tennis, participating in USTA leagues. She also is an avid snowboarder, and enjoys wakeboarding, running, going to concerts and traveling. She is currently training to run a marathon!

Some of her fondest memories of UWSP Tennis include pranks in the tennis shed, the Whitewater Invite road trips, and all of the friendships she developed. Her advice to the new players is to “enjoy your college years, both on and off the court, they go by too fast.” Also, “if you enjoy tennis, keep it up in the off season, and even after college.”

Bowl-A-Thon Fundraiser

On Tuesday, August 28th, the tennis team participated in a Bowl-A-Thon at Point Bowl. The event was a chance for players to get to know one another off the tennis court and raise money for the tennis program.



Family & Friends Brunch

On Saturday, October 6th, prior to the home match versus Beloit College, the tennis team will have a Family & Friends Brunch. It will be held at SentryWorld High Court, at 10:00 a.m. The cost is \$5.00 per person. For tennis alumni the event is free. The brunch includes coffee, assorted juices, fresh fruit, bagels, muffins, hash browns, scrambled eggs, bacon, French toast. RSVP by Monday, October 1st. Call (715) 295-8906. We look forward to seeing you there!

Joke-of-the-week

“To err is human. To put the blame on someone else is doubles.” -Author unknown-

Message From The Coach . . .

It’s an exciting time to be a Pointer Tennis Fan. The players are practicing hard, excited about competing, and eager to push UWSP Tennis to the top of the conference. I encourage every tennis fan to come to our matches and support the student-athletes. Now that we are playing at SentryWorld, you couldn’t pick a better location to watch a tennis match. Your support and encouragement would be greatly appreciated!



Karlyn Jakusz
4th Season

Center Court Club

The Center Court Club is the booster club for UWSP Women’s Tennis. For more information on joining the Center Court Club call Karlyn Jakusz at (715) 295-8906, or email kjakusz@uwsp.edu. Current members include:

Pointer Ace

Alice Faust, James D. Hom, D.D.S, S.C., Edith Kraus, Slumberland Furniture

Pointer Smash

Kate Anderson, Dolores Kosloski, Mary Miller, Colleen Thronson, Helen Van Prooyen, Storm North, Dental Health Center, S.C.

Pointer Slice

Kimberly Story & Elizabeth Ganshert

Pointer Love

Mary Jacobson

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