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UW-Stevens Point Football Preview

UW-Stevens Point (2-6, 1-4 WIAC) vs. UW-Platteville (1-7, 0-5 WIAC)
Saturday, November 5 - 2 p.m.

Ralph E. Davis Pioneer Stadium (10,000) - Platteville, Wisconsin

2005 WIAC Standings

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

Around the WIAC

Last Week's Games

Eau Claire 17, Stevens Point 3
Whitewater 36, Oshkosh 7
River Falls 28, Platteville 21
Stout 24, La Crosse 6

Saturday's Games

Eau Claire at Oshkosh, 1 pm
Whitewater at Stout, 1 pm
La Crosse at River Falls, 1 pm
Stevens Point at Platteville, 2 pm

Game Outlook:

UW-Stevens Point brings a 14-game winning streak over UW-Platteville into this weekend's contest as the Pointers look to bounce back from a 17-3 loss last week to UW-Eau Claire. UW-Platteville has lost seven straight games since a victory in its season opener, including a 28-21 defeat last week to UW-River Falls.

Radio:

The game can be heard live on WSPT (1010 AM) radio with Scott Krueger calling the play-by-play and Ken Kulick providing the analysis.

Series History:

UW-Stevens Point leads the all-time series 43-30-3 and has beaten the Pioneers 14 straight times since UW-Platteville's last win in 1991.

UW-Stevens Point used a fourth quarter rally to keep their winning streak over the Pioneers intact for a 29-26 victory last season. The Pointers trailed 26-15 with under six minutes left, but scored on a 28-yard touchdown pass from Brett Borchart to Ross Adamczak with 5:31 left and then on a 65-yard touchdown strike from Borchart to Tony Romano with 2:34 remaining. Borchart finished 18-for-32 passing for 260 yards in last year's victory.

2005 UW-Stevens Point Schedule/Results

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Site	Quick Facts
Sept. 3	Hardin-Simmons	L 38-12	Stevens Point	HSU ranked fourth in NCAA Division III preseason poll
Sept. 17	at Linfield, Ore.	L 45-7	McMinnville, Ore.	2004 NCAA champs post 35th straight regular season win
Sept. 24	Waldorf, Iowa	W 42-13	Stevens Point	Dickert catches three TD's and throws one TD
Oct. 1	at UW-La Crosse	L 24-0	La Crosse	Czys finishes with 20 tackles against former squad
Oct. 8	UW-Whitewater	L 44-12	Stevens Point	Warhawks gain 663 total yards in victory
Oct. 15	UW-River Falls	W 23-16	Stevens Point	Borchart throws for 255 yards and runs for 83 yards
Oct. 22	at UW-Oshkosh	L 23-20	Oshkosh	Childs scores all three UWSP touchdowns
Oct. 29	UW-Eau Claire	L 17-3	Stevens Point	Pointers hampered by five interceptions
Nov. 5	at UW-Platteville	2 p.m.	Platteville	Pointers have beaten Pioneers 14 straight times
Nov. 12	UW-Stout	1 p.m.	Stevens Point	UWSP posted 23-7 win last year in Menomonie

Pointers Update:

The Pointers outgained UW-Eau Claire last week and were in Blugolds' territory on most of their possessions, but couldn't come up with the keys plays in a 17-3 loss, falling to 2-6 overall.

UW-Stevens Point totaled 399 yards and was inside the Blugolds' 40-yard line seven times, but was hurt by five interceptions, a blocked field goal and a failed fake punt. The Pointers' defense limited UW-Eau Claire to 333 total yards and one offensive touchdown.

Jacob Dickert caught six passes for 125 yards to lead the offense. Cody Childs added seven catches for 55 yards. Dustin Robinson rushed 19 times for 97 yards on the ground.

Brandon Czys led the Pointers' defense with 12 tackles, while Jared Flesch totaled 10 tackles and an interception.

Pioneers Update:

UW-Platteville opened the season with a 26-0 victory over the University of Dubuque, but the Pioneers have since lost seven straight games and are still looking for their first WIAC win of the season.

UW-Platteville had a fourth quarter rally fall short in last week's 28-21 loss at UW-River Falls. The Pioneers scored a pair of fourth quarter touchdowns, but were stopped on downs and threw an interception on their final two possessions.

A pair of freshmen running backs had big performances for the Pioneers as Tyson Droessler rushed for 129 yards 19 carries and Mike Genslinger rushed 13 times for 95 yards. UW-Platteville has traditionally been the top passing team in the WIAC under coach Mike Emendorfer, but ranks third this year and rushed for their highest total since 1998 with 285 yards and 112 yards passing last week.

Droessler's brother, Damian, was the team's running back, but suffered a broken hand and had eight tackles in his first game at linebacker last week.

The Coaches

UW-Stevens Point coach **John Miech** has a 115-62-2 record in his 18th season. Miech currently ranks fifth on the all-time WIAC wins list. He is a 1975 graduate of UW-Stevens Point and is the all-time winningest coach in Pointers' history. Miech was inducted into the Wisconsin Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame in April.

UW-Platteville coach **Mike Emendorfer** has a 23-44 career record in his seventh season with the Pioneers and was last season's WIAC Coach of the Year after leading UW-Platteville to a 6-4 record for its first winning season since 1992. Emendorfer also coached eight seasons at Hanover (Ind.) where his teams led Division III in passing four times.

Milestone Mark:

UW-Stevens Point has won both of its games when gaining at least 400 yards of total offense this season. The Pointers were held below the mark in all six losses, including last week when they totaled 399 yards in the defeat to UW-Eau Claire.

Empty-Handed:

UW-Stevens Point moved the ball successfully last week, but had seven drives end inside UW-Eau Claire's 40-yard line, resulting in just three points. The Pointers had two interceptions, two punts, a failed fake punt and a blocked field goal. They also had another drive stall at the Blugolds' 42-yard line and result in a punt.

Late Meetings:

UW-Stevens Point and UW-Platteville are meeting in the second-last conference game for the seventh consecutive year. The teams have played their conference matchups prior to October 28 just twice since 1991, coming in 1997 and 1998. They also played an early-season non-conference game in 2001.

Streak Stopping:

Despite their 2-6 record, the Pointers' longest losing streak this season is two games. UW-Stevens Point is on a current two-game skid and has not lost three straight games in a single season since opening the 2000 season with seven straight defeats. That streak was halted with a 14-7 win over UW-Platteville.

Defensive Stand:

UW-Stevens Point is coming off its best defensive performance of the season after holding UW-Eau Claire to 333 total yards and one offensive touchdown last week. The Pointers had allowed an average of 483.1 yards per game over their first seven outings of the season. UW-Stevens Point came up with big defensive plays against the Blugolds twice deep in Pointers' territory with an interception in the endzone and a fumble recovery at the 12-yard line.

D3football.com Top 25 - Oct. 30

Rank, Team	Rec.
1. Linfield, Ore. (25)	7-0
2. UW-Whitewater	8-0
3. St. John's, Minn.	9-0
4. Rowan, N.J.	7-0
5. Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas	6-1
6. Mount Union, Ohio	7-1
7. Occidental, Calif.	7-0
8. Delaware Valley, Pa.	8-0
9. Trinity, Texas	7-0
10. Hardin-Simmons, Texas	7-1
11. North Central, Ill.	8-0
12. Concordia-Moorhead	7-1
13. St. John Fisher, N.Y.	8-1
14. Washington & Jeff., Pa.	8-1
15. Ithaca, N.Y.	7-1
16. Thiel, Pa.	8-0
17. Augustana, Ill.	7-1
18. Bridgewater, Va.	6-1
19. Ohio Northern	6-2
20. Wabash, Ind.	8-0
21. Capital, Ohio	6-2
22. Central, Iowa	7-1
23. Coe, Iowa	7-1
24. Hobart, N.Y.	8-0
25. John Carroll, Ohio	7-1

Catching On:

Pointers' junior wide receiver Jacob Dickert continues to have a solid year in his first season at wide receiver after spending his first two seasons as a reserve quarterback. He is quickly becoming one of quarterback Brett Borchart's favorite targets, catching six passes for a career-high 125 yards last week. Over the past three games Dickert has 19 catches for 298 yards. He also took a snap at quarterback last week when Borchart was injured and missed one play.

New Workhorse:

Dustin Robinson had the Pointers' highest single-game rushing total this season when he totaled 97 yards on 19 attempts last week against UW-Eau Claire. It was a career-high in carries for Robinson, whose previous high was 11 rushes. In fact, this season, Robinson hadn't carried more than six times in a game and he was the first Pointer player to have more than 16 rushes in a single contest.

Around the Block:

UW-Stevens Point had its second blocked field goal in three weeks when Peter Prusinski thwarted a UW-Eau Claire field goal just before half-time last week. The Pointers also blocked a kick against UW-River Falls for their first blocked field goal since Doug Mittelstaedt stopped a UW-La Crosse potential game-winning kick in a 17-16 victory in 2001. It is the first time the Pointers have blocked two field goals in a season since Dillon Maney blocked two in the same game against UW-La Crosse in 2000.

In the Flesch:

Senior free safety Jared Flesch is enjoying the best season of his four-year career with 68 tackles already this year. Flesch's previous single-season best was 53 last season. Flesch also intercepted a pass in the endzone last week for his second pick of the season after totaling three interceptions over his first three seasons. He also currently shares the team lead with four pass breakups.

Top Tackling:

The Pointers feature three of the top six tacklers in the WIAC as Brandon Czys is third with 80 total stops, Dan Robinson is fourth with 72 and Jared Flesch ranks sixth with 68. In fact, Flesch leads the league with 47 solo tackles and Robinson is second with 45. Czys is third in the league with 48 assisted tackles.

Pinning Them Deep:

Pointers' punter Ryan Prochnow put two punts inside the 20-yard line last week and now has 19 such kicks in 44 punts this season. He nearly had two more last week that both resulted in touchbacks, giving him only three touchbacks all season.

Extra Points:

UW-Platteville is attempting to avoid becoming the first team to finish winless in WIAC play since the Pioneers were 0-7 in 1998...UW-Platteville's Brian Gallick ranks seventh in the NCAA Division III with 7.6 receptions per game...UW-Platteville is surely happy to see Tony Romano no longer in a UW-Stevens Point uniform after the wide receiver who graduated last spring totaled 22 catches for 469 yards over the past three matchups with the Pioneers...Pointers' running back Cody Childs needs 65 yards to reach 1,000 for his career...UW-Stevens Point has not had a defensive or special teams touchdown yet this season after recording three such scores last season...UW-Platteville has forced a total of eight turnovers in eight games this year and just one in the last four games...UW-Eau Claire had only one possession in the entire third quarter of last week's game and used it for a seven minute, 39 second scoring drive. The Blugolds also returned an interception for a touchdown in the period...Pointers' sophomore Kasey Morgan ranks second in the WIAC in kickoff returns at 21.0 yards per return.