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UW-Stevens Point Football Preview

UW-Stevens Point (2-2, 0-1 WIAC) vs. #2 UW-Whitewater (4-0, 2-0 WIAC)
Saturday, October 7 - 1 p.m.
Perkins Stadium - Whitewater, Wisconsin

2006 WIAC Standings

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

Last Week in the WIAC

Platteville 31, Stout 27
Whitewater 34, Eau Claire 0
Stevens Point 35, Trinity International 0
Oshkosh 24, River Falls 0

This Week in the WIAC

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

Game Outlook:

Coming off two non-conference road victories, the Pointers hit the road for the third straight week and re-enter conference play with a show-down at second-ranked UW-Whitewater. The Warhawks were last year's NCAA Division III runner-up and are off to a 4-0 start this year.

Radio:

The game can be heard live on WKQH (104.9 FM) radio with Scott Krueger calling the play-by-play and Ken Kulick providing the analysis. A live webcast will also be available on the UW-Stevens Point athletics website at <http://www.uwsp.edu/athletics/webcast.htm>.

Series History:

UW-Whitewater leads the all-time series 54-30 and beat the Pointers 44-12 last season, snapping a three-game losing streak to the Pointers. UW-Stevens Point has won its past two trips to Perkins Stadium with a 15-12 win in 2004 and a 17-14 triumph in 2002.

UW-Whitewater totaled 633 yards in last year's win, marking the most yards the Pointers have ever allowed in a game. Justin Beaver rushed 34 times for 212 yards and two touchdowns. Derek Stanley had 143 yards receiving - all in the first quarter - and Justin Jacobs threw for 316 yards.

2006 UW-Stevens Point Schedule/Results

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Site	Quick Facts
Sept. 2	at Hardin-Simmons	L 49-17	Abilene, Texas	UWSP drops season opener for just third time in 14 years
Sept. 16	UW-La Crosse	L 36-14	Stevens Point	Four first half turnovers cost Pointers in defeat
Sept. 23	at Waldorf	W 45-7	Forest City, Iowa	Pointers amass 510 total yards in taking 38-0 halftime lead
Sept. 30	at Trinity Internat'l	W 35-0	Deerfield, Ill.	Defense allows just 104 total yards and four first downs
Oct. 7	at UW-Whitewater	1 p.m.	Whitewater	Warhawks were 2005 NCAA Division III runner-up
Oct. 14	at UW-River Falls	2 p.m.	River Falls	Pointers have won four of last five meetings
Oct. 21	UW-Oshkosh	1 p.m.	Stevens Point	104th meeting - longest of any Division III state schools
Oct. 28	at UW-Eau Claire	1 p.m.	Eau Claire	Six of last eight meetings decided by five or less
Nov. 4	UW-Platteville	2 p.m.	Stevens Point	Pointers have beaten Pioneers 15 straight times
Nov. 11	at UW-Stout	1 p.m.	Menomonie	UWSP has beaten Blue Devils two straight years

Pointer Update:

UW-Stevens Point rolled to its second straight non-conference victory with a 35-0 pounding of Trinity International (Ill.) last week.

Senior running back Cody Childs had a career-best rushing performance for the third time in four games this year with 24 carries for 194 yards and three touchdowns. He had 140 of his yards in the first quarter, including an 80-yard touchdown run.

Brett Borchart was 19-for-29 passing for 205 yards and connected with Brad Kalsow for the Pointers' other two touchdowns.

The Pointers led 20-0 at halftime and cruised through the second half for the victory.

UW-Stevens Point's defense smothered Trinity International, holding the Trojans to 104 total yards, including just 25 yards rushing and four first downs. Lincoln Berg recorded an interception for the third straight game and 17 different players had tackles.

Warhawks Update:

UW-Whitewater was last season's NCAA Division III runner-up and has rolled through its first four games this season, outscoring opponents 153-24.

Justin Beaver was the nation's leading rusher last year at 172.9 yards per game. He currently ranks 22nd in the country at 116.0 yards per game. Quarterback Justin Jacobs was last year's WIAC Player of the Year and has thrown for 194.8 yards per game and 11 touchdowns this season.

Jacobs' favorite target has been Derek Stanley, who leads the league in receiving with 21 catches for 403 yards and six touchdowns.

Freshman kicker Jeff Schebler has made all seven field goal attempts and is 18-for-19 on extra points.

UW-Whitewater's defense leads the conference with 12 sacks and allows a league-low 37 yards rushing per game.

The Warhawks trounced UW-Eau Claire 34-0 last week.

The Coaches

UW-Stevens Point coach **John Miech** has a 119-64-2 record in his 19th season. Miech's victory total ranks fourth in WIAC history and he entered the season ranked 18th among all active NCAA Division III coaches. Miech is a 1975 graduate of UW-Stevens Point and has twice as many wins as any other coach in Pointers' history.

UW-Whitewater coach **Bob Berezowitz** owns a 148-72-4 record in his 22nd and final season with the Warhawks. Prior to this season, Berezowitz announced his retirement effective the end of the season. A former quarterback at UW-Whitewater, he ranks third in WIAC history and seventh among active Division III coaches in career victories.

Opening Act:

UW-Whitewater has been at its best at the start of games, outscoring teams 61-7 in the first quarter. In fact, last week the Warhawks led UW-Eau Claire 24-0 after running just 12 offensive plays.

During the past two games, UW-Stevens Point has also gotten off to quick starts, outgaining its two non-conference foes 503-71 and outscoring them 35-0 in the first quarter. The Pointers outgained Waldorf 269-63 and Trinity International 234-8 in the first 15 minutes.

It was a dramatic turnaround from the first two games when the Pointers were outscored 28-0 and outgained 277-44 in the opening quarter.

Formidable Foes:

The Pointers are taking on another highly-ranked opponent this week by facing the second-ranked Warhawks. UW-Stevens Point has already taken on fifth-ranked Hardin-Simmons and seventh-ranked UW-La Crosse.

UW-Stevens Point will be the first school in Division III to play three teams in the current top 10. Several other schools have already played two of the top 10 teams.

Streakly Speaking:

UW-Whitewater has won nine straight WIAC games and 10 of its last 11 league contests since a loss to UW-Stevens Point in 2004. The Warhawks' last league loss came to UW-La Crosse in the 2004 season finale.

Dominating Defense:

The Pointers used outstanding defensive performances in their previous two victories, allowing a total of seven points on a late fourth quarter drive by Waldorf that included two fourth down conversions.

Last week, Trinity International had four first downs and ran just four plays in Pointers' territory with its furthest penetration being the UW-Stevens Point 43-yard line.

The shutout last week was the Pointers' first since a 63-0 rout at Tri-State (Ind.) in 2003.

D3football.com Top 25 - Oct. 1

Rank	Team (1st place votes)	Rec.
1.	Mount Union, Ohio (22)	3-0
2.	UW-Whitewater (3)	4-0
3.	Capital, Ohio	4-0
4.	St. John's, Minn.	5-0
5.	Hardin-Simmons, Texas	3-0
6.	Wesley, Del.	4-0
7.	UW-La Crosse	3-0
8.	Rowan, N.J.	2-1
9.	Bridgewater, Va.	5-0
10.	Ohio Northern	3-0
11.	Occidental, Calif.	3-0
12.	Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas	3-1
13.	Central, Iowa	4-0
14.	Whitworth, Wash.	4-0
15.	St. John Fisher, N.Y.	5-0
16.	Wilkes, Pa.	4-0
17.	Cortland State, N.Y.	4-0
18.	Linfield, Ore.	1-2
19.	Hobart, N.Y.	4-0
20.	Wheaton, Ill.	4-0
21.	Christopher Newport, Va.	3-1
22.	Springfield, Mass.	4-0
23.	Ithaca, N.Y.	4-1
24.	Delaware Valley, Pa.	3-1
25.	Coe, Iowa	4-1

Classic Clash:

UW-Stevens Point enters Saturday's game as the WIAC leader in total offense at 415.8 yards per game. In fact, the Pointers rank 25th nationally in total offense.

However, this week, the Pointers face the league's top defense as UW-Whitewater has allowed 234.0 yards per game to rank 35th in the country.

Both units are best on the ground as the Pointers rank 29th nationally in rushing offense at 197.5 yards per game and UW-Whitewater is ninth in rushing defense at just 37.0 yards per game.

Running It Up:

Pointers' senior running back Cody Childs continues to put up impressive numbers this season and is now ranked seventh in the country in rushing at 138.8 yards per game. Childs has had three career high games this year with 123 yards against Hardin-Simmons, 162 against Waldorf and 194 against Trinity International. His lowest output was 76 yards against UW-La Crosse, though he has rushed for a touchdown in all four games.

Also the team's leading receiver, Childs ranks third nationally in all-purpose yards at 193.8 yards per game.

Complete Coverage:

UW-Stevens Point ranks 33rd in the country in net punting with the combination of punter Luke Frisch, who ranks 20th nationally at 39.2 yards per kick, and a coverage unit that has held opponents to just eight returns for a total of 16 yards.

Those numbers will be tested this week by UW-Whitewater's punt return squad that leads the WIAC at 11.8 yards per return.

UW-Stevens Point's kickoff coverage teams have also been solid, holding opponents to just 15.6 yards per return. UW-Whitewater, meanwhile, ranks 11th nationally on kickoff returns at 26.0 yards per return.

Big Scores:

Cody Childs' 80-yard touchdown run last week at Trinity International was the fourth-longest rushing play in Pointers' history. The score came one week after he had an 85-yard touchdown catch at Waldorf for the seventh-longest pass play in team history.

Scoring Along:

With three touchdowns last week, Cody Childs moved into fourth place on the school's all-time list with 33 touchdowns for his career. He needs two more to tie Theo Blanco and Jeff Gosa for second place. Jimmy Henderson holds the school record with 39.

Team Defense:

The strong defensive performances the past two weeks have come from plenty of sources as the Pointers' leading tackler each of the past two games has had five tackles. After having 27 different players record tackles against Waldorf, the Pointers had 17 different players with a stop against Trinity International.

Quick Hits:

The Pointers are without leading Jacob Dickert, who had an appendectomy last Saturday. He also is the team's regular holder on placekicks... Pointers' quarterback Brett Borchart leads the WIAC and ranks 41st in the country in total offense at 219.3 yards per game...Borchart has completed 67.3 percent of his passes the past two weeks after connecting on 39.7 percent over the first two games.

Luke Gunderson's two-point conversion catch last week was the Pointers' first two-point play in 15 games. It was the team's first attempt this year and they were 0-for-2 all of last season...Saturday's game is the third in the Pointers' first four-game road trip since 1972...Jack Marx has returned just two punts this year, but they're the Pointers' two longest of the season with an 18-yarder and a 35-yarder...UW-Stevens Point's opponents have not attempted a field goal yet this season.