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UW-Stevens Point Men's Basketball Notes

2005-06 Pointer Schedule/Results

Record: 4-1 overall, 0-0 WIAC

Streak: 2-game winning streak

Breakdown: 3-0 home, 1-1 away, 0-0 ntl.

Nov. 18	Cardinal Stritch	W 69-54
Nov. 25	at Ripon	W 99-89
Nov. 26	at Lakeland	L 63-58
Nov. 30	UW-Oshkosh	W 74-61
Dec. 3	UW-River Falls	W 74-53
Dec. 7	at UW-Whitewater	7:00 PM
Dec. 10	at UW-La Crosse	5:00 PM
Dec. 16	at Northland	7:00 PM
Dec. 28	#Buena Vista (Iowa)	8:00 PM
Dec. 29/30	#Mid-Am Naz./Grace	TBA
Dec. 30/31	#Championship Game	TBA
Jan. 2	Viterbo	7:00 PM
Jan. 4	at UW-Superior	7:00 PM
Jan. 7	UW-Stout	5:00 PM
Jan. 11	UW-Eau Claire	7:00 PM
Jan. 18	UW-Platteville	7:00 PM
Jan. 21	at UW-River Falls	5:00 PM
Jan. 25	at UW-Oshkosh	7:00 PM
Jan. 28	at Edgewood	3:00 PM
Feb. 1	at UW-Eau Claire	7:00 PM
Feb. 4	UW-La Crosse	5:00 PM
Feb. 8	UW-Whitewater	7:00 PM
Feb. 11	at UW-Stout	5:00 PM
Feb. 15	at UW-Platteville	7:00 PM
Feb. 18	UW-Superior	5:00 PM
Feb. 21-25	WIAC Tournament	7:00 PM
# - Clarke Tournament (Dubuque, Iowa)		
Home games at Quandt Fieldhouse		

**UW-Stevens Point (4-1 overall, 2-0 WIAC)
vs. UW-Whitewater (3-2 overall, 1-0 WIAC)
Wed., Dec. 7, 7 p.m. - Kachel Gym - Whitewater, Wis.
vs. UW-La Crosse (6-1 overall, 1-1 WIAC)
Sat., Dec. 10, 5 p.m. - Mitchell Hall - La Crosse, Wis.**

Pointers This Week:

The Pointers face a pair of key conference road games this week when they visit UW-Whitewater and UW-La Crosse for their final league games prior to the holiday break. UW-Stevens Point opened the conference season with two victories and hits the road for the first time in WIAC play. Wednesday's game at UW-Whitewater is a rematch of last year's WIAC tournament championship game.

Broadcast:

Both games can be heard live on WKQH (104.9 FM) radio with Scott Krueger doing the play-by-play and John Zellmer providing the analysis. Internet broadcasts will be available at <http://www.uwsp.edu/athletics/webcast.htm>.

Head Coach Bob Semling:

Bob Semling is in his first season as the Pointers' head coach after spending the past 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 - Dec. 5

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

This Week in the WIAC

Wednesday, Dec. 7

Oshkosh at St. Norbert, 7:00
River Falls at Eau Claire, 7:00
Stevens Point at Whitewater, 7:00
Stout at Superior, 7:00
La Crosse at Platteville, 8:00

Saturday, Dec. 10

Stevens Point at La Crosse, 5:00
Stout at Oshkosh, 5:00
Platteville at River Falls, 7:00
Superior at Whitewater, 7:00

Pointers Update:

UW-Stevens Point opened the WIAC season with a pair of home victories, beating UW-Oshkosh 74-61 and UW-River Falls 74-53 to extend their Quandt Fieldhouse winning streak to 25 straight games.

The Pointers buried preseason league favorite and seventh-ranked UW-Oshkosh on Wednesday, jumping out to a 21-9 lead and holding at least a 10-point lead the rest of the way. Steve Hicklin led the Pointers with 21 points, while Brian Bauer added a career-high 17 points and Pete Rortvedt totaled 13 points.

UW-Stevens Point handled UW-River Falls on Saturday as Jon Krull totaled 20 points and eight rebounds while making 14 of 16 free throws. Freshman Bryan Beamish had 18 points and five rebounds. The Pointers made 27 of 29 free throws in the victory.

Team Notes:

- * - UW-Stevens Point is shooting a sizzling 86.1 percent from the free throw line through five games. The Pointers have missed just 16 times in their 115 attempts this year. Every player on the current roster who has attempted a free throw is shooting at least 75.0 percent at the line.
- * - The Pointers' 27-for-29 free throw shooting against UW-River Falls was their best performance at the line in the past eight seasons with at least 20 attempts.
- * - UW-Whitewater has handed the Pointers their first conference loss four of the past five years and has won the first meeting between the two teams five straight seasons.
- * - The Pointers ranked seventh in the country in field goal percentage defense last year at 37.5 percent and only allowed three of their 32 opponents to shoot better than 43.1 percent in a game. Already four of their five foes have reached that mark this year as opponents are shooting 46.4 percent from the field.
- * - UW-Stevens Point leads the WIAC in scoring offense at 74.8 points per game. The Pointers average a league-high 8.2 three-pointers made per game.
- * - The Pointers are averaging a league-low 11.4 turnovers per game. They had just six against UW-Oshkosh and 10 against UW-River Falls in the first two conference games.

Individual Notes:

- * - Junior forward **Jon Krull** (Marshall, WI) ranks second in the WIAC in scoring at 19.4 points per game. Krull made 26 straight free throws, including his first 10 on Saturday, before missing. He is shooting 86.7 percent (78-for-90) at the line over his last 16 games after shooting 62.7 percent (69-for-110) in his first 53 career games.
- * - Sophomore guard **Steve Hicklin** (Sussex, WI) leads the WIAC in assists at 4.4 per game. He has eight turnovers over the past four games after committing seven in the season opener. He also leads the league in free throw shooting at 95.8 percent and enters the week having made 16 straight attempts.
- * - Freshman forward **Bryan Beamish** (Wisconsin Rapids, WI) enjoyed a breakout game on Saturday with 18 points on six-for-seven shooting after scoring a total of nine points over the team's first four games of the year.
- * - Senior forward **Brian Bauer** (Auburndale, WI) has scored in double figures in all five games this season and had a career-high 17 points in last week's win over UW-Oshkosh. His 69 points scored already surpasses his season total of 64 from last season.
- * - Freshman guard **Khalifa El-Amin** (Milwaukee, WI) ranks third in the WIAC with 2.0 steals per game. He had four steals against UW-Oshkosh and three against UW-River Falls last week.

Scouting the Opponents

UW-Whitewater suffered non-conference losses to Loras and Carroll before posting a 63-57 win at UW-La Crosse in its conference opener last week.

Jeremy Manchester leads the team in scoring at 15.6 points per game and had 21 points in the win over UW-La Crosse with six-for-eight shooting on three-pointers after making two three-pointers over the first four games combined. Andy Freund ranks second in the league in rebounding at 9.0 per game and also averages 10.2 points per game.

UW-La Crosse is off to a 6-1 start and opened the year 5-0 for the first time since 1996-97. The Eagles have six players averaging at least seven points. Joe Werner scores 12.4 points per game and ranks second in the league with 9.0 rebounds per game after leading the conference last year.

Timothy Owen scores 10.4 points per game and is shooting 62.8 percent from the field. Marcus Conigliaro is averaging 10.3 points and leads the WIAC with 18 three-pointers made.

Series History

UW-Stevens Point leads the all-time series over UW-Whitewater 89-73. The Pointers beat the Warhawks 87-77 in last year's WIAC tournament final as the home team won all three matchups last year. The Warhawks handed the Pointers their first loss of the year four of the past five seasons.

The Pointers own a 73-42 lead in the all-time series with UW-La Crosse, having won 14 of the last 15 matchups. Last year's game in La Crosse was the Pointers' only close game of the year with a 63-62 overtime victory.

D3hoops.com NCAA Division III Rankings Records Through December 5, 2005

Rank, Team (first place votes)	Rec.	Votes	Last
1. Illinois Wesleyan (25)	5-0	625	1
2. Wooster, Ohio	6-0	588	2
3. Wittenberg, Ohio	5-0	567	3
4. Amherst, Mass.	4-0	517	4
5. Puget Sound, Wash.	4-1	516	5
6. York, Pa.	4-0	489	6
7. Albion, Mich.	4-1	410	9
8. Hope, Mich.	6-0	390	14
9. Lawrence, Wis.	5-0	379	15
10. Worcester Polytech, Mass.	7-0	375	10
11. Gustavus Adolphus, Minn.	5-0	333	13
12. Randolph-Macon, Va.	5-1	257	11
13. Hanover, Ind.	4-2	234	8
14. UW-Oshkosh	2-2	228	7
15. Wartburg, Iowa	4-1	217	18
16. Rochester, N.Y.	5-2	177	12
17. Augustana, Ill.	4-0	169	25
18. St. John Fisher, N.Y.	2-1	168	17
19. Albright, Pa.	5-0	140	—
20. Elmhurst, Ill.	3-2	131	22
21. Baldwin-Wallace, Ohio	5-1	127	—
22. UW-Stout	5-1	118	—
23. Lincoln, Pa.	7-1	115	—
24. Hampden-Sydney, Va.	5-0	110	—
25. Ramapo, N.J.	4-1	108	24