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UW-Stevens Point Men's Basketball Notes

2005-06 Pointer Schedule/Results

Record: 12-5 overall, 7-2 WIAC

Streak: 1-game winning streak

Breakdown: 6-1 home, 5-3 away, 1-1 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	L 70-64
Dec. 10	at UW-La Crosse	W 71-55
Dec. 16	at Northland	W 84-59
Dec. 28	#Buena Vista (Iowa)	W 75-70
Dec. 30	#MidAmerica Naz.	L 77-64
Dec. 31	#Clarke (Iowa)	L 73-67
Jan. 2	Viterbo	W 73-52
Jan. 4	at UW-Superior	W 79-46
Jan. 7	UW-Stout	W 89-84 2ot
Jan. 11	UW-Eau Claire	W 90-66
Jan. 18	UW-Platteville	L 70-66
Jan. 21	at UW-River Falls	W 70-56
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 (12-5 overall, 7-2 WIAC)
vs. #21 UW-Oshkosh (14-4 overall, 7-2 WIAC)
Wed., Jan. 25, 7 p.m. - Kolf Sports Center - Oshkosh, Wis.
vs. Edgewood (9-9 overall)
Sat., Jan. 28, 3 p.m. - Todd Wehr Edgedome - Madison, Wis.**

Pointers This Week:

A showdown between the top two teams in the WIAC standings is set for Wednesday when UW-Stevens Point visits UW-Oshkosh. The two squads enter the game with identical 7-2 records to hold a half-game lead over UW-Whitewater. The Pointers are in the midst of a four-game road swing and also play their final non-conference game of the year Saturday at Edgewood.

Broadcast:

Both 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. Internet broadcasts will be available at <http://www.uwsp.edu/athletics/webcast.htm>.

Head Coach Bob Semling:

Bob Semling begins 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 - Jan. 21

	Conf.		Overall		This Week in the WIAC
	W	L	W	L	
Oshkosh	7	2	14	4	Wednesday, January 25 Eau Claire at Stout, 7:00 La Crosse at Whitewater, 7:00 River Falls at Superior, 7:00 Stevens Point at Oshkosh, 7:00
Stevens Point	7	2	12	5	Thursday, January 26 Marian at Whitewater, 7:00
Whitewater	6	2	11	4	Saturday, January 28 La Crosse at Superior, 3:00 Stevens Point at Edgewood, 3:00 Stout at Whitewater, 5:00 Oshkosh at River Falls, 5:00 Platteville at Eau Claire, 7:00
La Crosse	6	3	15	3	
Stout	6	3	13	4	
Platteville	4	5	9	8	
Eau Claire	2	7	9	8	
River Falls	2	7	3	14	
Superior	0	9	4	13	

Pointers Update:

The Pointers split a pair of games last week, but still remain in first place in the WIAC. UW-Stevens Point lost to UW-Platteville 70-66 before rebounding for a 70-56 win over UW-River Falls.

The Pointers trailed much of the game against UW-Platteville before rallying for a one-point lead in the final minute. The Pioneers, however, made a long three-pointer with 13 seconds left for a two-point lead and the Pointers missed a three-pointer at the other end. Brian Bauer and Steve Hicklin each had 14 points to lead the Pointers, who had just five turnovers but were outrebounded 34-15.

On Saturday, UW-Stevens Point used an early 16-2 run and hit 11 three-pointers to defeat UW-River Falls. Hicklin had 18 points and Bauer had 14 points as the Pointers took an eight-point halftime lead and led by at least seven points throughout the second half.

Team Notes:

* - The Pointers have led the NCAA Division III in free throw shooting all season and are currently at 80.1 percent. Wartburg (Iowa) is second in Division III at 77.9 percent. Only Division I Gonzaga is shooting better among all NCAA schools at 81.0 percent. Every regular player for the Pointers shoots at least 70 percent at the line.

* - The Pointers have made 9.7 three-pointers per game over the last six contests and enter the week ranked 29th in the country in three-pointers made with 8.7 per game for the season. They have made 10 or more threes in a game six times this season.

* - UW-Stevens Point had a season-low five turnovers against UW-Platteville and averages a league-low 10.8 turnovers per game. The Pointers have had fewer than 10 turnovers in a game six times this year, but have lost three of those games.

* - The Pointers committed just nine fouls against UW-River Falls, marking their lowest in a game since having eight against UW-La Crosse in a 2003 WIAC tournament quarterfinal game.

* - UW-Stevens Point had its school-record 28-game home winning streak snapped last week in the 70-66 loss to UW-Platteville. It marked the first home loss since a loss to UW-Superior on Feb. 21, 2004. The four-point margin also snapped a string of 33 straight games at the Quandt Fieldhouse decided by five points or more.

Individual Notes:

* - Senior forward **Brian Bauer** (Auburndale, WI) ranks fourth in the WIAC in scoring and seventh in three-point field goal shooting percentage. He scored 14 points in the win Saturday, shooting four-for-seven from behind the arc.

* - Sophomore guard **Steve Hicklin** (Sussex, WI) had seven assists and no turnovers last week. He leads the league in assists per game with 4.25 for the season. Over the last seven games he has 35 assists and just eight turnovers. Hicklin also ranks 13th nationally in free throw shooting at 90.0 percent.

* - Freshman guard **Pete Rortvedt** (Minocqua, WI) set a career high in rebounds Saturday at UW-River Falls, grabbing a team-high nine boards. Rortvedt is second in the WIAC and 12th in the country in three-point field goal shooting percentage at 48.3 percent (43-for-89).

* - Senior forward **Matt Bouche** (Sauk City, WI) tied career highs in points and rebounds Saturday in his first start since Jan. 2. Bouche scored eight points for the third time in his career and grabbed seven rebounds, tying an eight-point, seven-rebound performance against Marian during his sophomore year.

* - Freshman guard **Khalifa El-Amin** (Milwaukee, WI) made the most of his 22 minutes on Saturday, shooting four-for-five from the floor, scoring nine points and providing a spark on defense.

Scouting the Opponents

UW-Oshkosh enters the week tied for first place and holds the conference's longest winning streak at eight games, including six against WIAC opponents. The Titans beat UW-Whitewater on the road last week with a 68-67 overtime victory and defeated UW-Superior 76-55 at home.

UW-Oshkosh has three players averaging double figures in scoring, led by senior Andy Jahnke with 14.8 points per game. Junior Jim Capelle leads the league in free throw shooting percentage at 90.4 percent and is 10th in scoring at 12.9 points per game. Junior center Kerry Gibson is second in the conference in rebounding and blocked shots, while scoring 11.3 points per game.

Edgewood is currently on a three-game winning streak, improving their overall record to 9-9. The Eagles are led by sophomore Charlie Averkamp, who leads the team in scoring with 14.1 points per game and rebounding with 8.6 rebounds per game.

Senior Seth Cooper and sophomore Ryan Johnsen also average double figures per game with 13.3 and 12.4 points per game, respectively.

Series History

The Pointers lead the all-time series over UW-Oshkosh 107-79 in the most-played rivalry in UW-Stevens Point history. The Pointers defeated the Titans 74-61 earlier this year in the WIAC season opener.

UW-Stevens Point owns a 13-2 lead in the all-time series with Edgewood, including a 79-49 win at home over the Eagles last year.

D3hoops.com NCAA Division III Rankings Records Through January 22, 2006

Rank, Team (first place votes)	Rec.	Votes	Last
1. Wittenberg, Ohio (15)	16-1	611	1
2. Wooster, Ohio (8)	16-1	606	2
3. Lawrence, Wis. (2)	14-0	565	5
4. Hope, Mich.	16-1	523	4
5. Illinois Wesleyan	14-2	513	6
6. Albion, Mich.	14-2	504	3
7. Augustana, Ill.	16-1	500	9
8. Baldwin-Wallace, Ohio	15-2	431	10
9. York, Pa.	14-2	360	8
10. Amherst, Mass.	13-2	345	12
11. North Central, Ill.	14-2	335	13
12. Puget Sound, Wash.	13-3	302	7
13. Wartburg, Iowa	14-2	293	15
14. Carnegie Mellon, Pa.	14-2	283	11
15. Worcester Polytech, Mass.	15-1	264	14
16. Occidental, Calif.	13-1	254	19
17. Mississippi College	14-1	236	18
18. Randolph-Macon, Va.	15-3	200	17
19. UW-Stout	13-4	165	21
20. Transylvania, Ky.	14-3	140	22
21. UW-Oshkosh	14-4	132	—
22. St. John Fisher, N.Y.	12-3	102	16
23. Virginia Wesleyan	16-3	93	—
24. Lincoln, Pa.	18-4	74	—
25. Carroll, Wis.	12-2	40	—