



St. Norbert College

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Football Preview

St. Norbert College (8-3 in 2012) vs. John Carroll Univ. (6-4 in 2012)

Saturday, September 7, 2013 - 4 p.m.

Toyota Park (20,000) - Bridgeview, Illinois

2013 Midwest Conference Standings

Team	Conference		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Beloit	0	0	0	0
Carroll	0	0	0	0
Cornell	0	0	0	0
Grinnell	0	0	0	0
Illinois College	0	0	0	0
Knox	0	0	0	0
Lake Forest	0	0	0	0
Lawrence	0	0	0	0
Monmouth	0	0	0	0
Ripon	0	0	0	0
St. Norbert	0	0	0	0

Games on Saturday, Sept. 7

Grinnell at Carleton, 1 p.m.
 Concordia-Chicago at Lake Forest, 1 p.m.
 Knox at Eureka, 1 p.m.
 Lawrence at Cornell, 1 p.m. *
 Lakeland at Carroll, 1 p.m.
 Coe at Monmouth, 1 p.m.
 Illinois College at Hanover, 1:30 p.m.
 St. Norbert vs. John Carroll, 4 p.m.
 Chicago at Beloit, 6 p.m.
 Ripon at Wisconsin Lutheran, 7 p.m.
 * - MWC game

Game Overview:

St. Norbert opens its 80th season of intercollegiate football with a neutral-site game against John Carroll. The Green Knights take on the Blue Streaks at Toyota Park, home of Major League Soccer's Chicago Fire.

Broadcast:

John Carroll will be providing live streaming video online at:
http://www.jcusports.com/sports/2013/8/29/fan_0829130037.aspx?id=583

The Series:

John Carroll leads St. Norbert 1-0 in an all-time series begun last season in Dublin, Ireland.

Last Meeting:

John Carroll erased a 3-0 deficit with a 27-point second quarter and went on to defeat St. Norbert College 40-3 last Aug. 31 in the Global Ireland Football Tournament in front of a raucous crowd of 4,877 at Donnybrook Stadium in Dublin, Ireland.

John Carroll quarterback Mark Myers, a transfer from the University of Pittsburgh, set a then-school record with 457 passing yards in his first appearance with the Blue Streaks. Myers completed 30 of 43 passes with five touchdowns and one interception.

St. Norbert held a 3-0 lead after the first quarter, following Randy Hill's 39-yard field goal with 5 minutes 13 seconds left in the period.

John Carroll answered with a 14-play 97-yard drive to pull ahead 6-3 on

2013 St. Norbert Football Schedule and Results (0-0, 0-0 MWC)

Date	Opponent	Site	Time/Result	Quick Fact
Sept. 7	John Carroll	Bridgeview, Ill.	4 p.m.	JCU claimed 40-3 win last Aug. 31 in Dublin, Ireland
Sept. 14	Knox	Galesburg, Ill.	1 p.m.	SNC owns 14-straight wins in series vs. KC dating to 1999
Sept. 21	Ripon	De Pere	1 p.m. (TV)	A.Williams' TD with 12 seconds left proves difference in 2012
Sept. 28	Carroll	Waukesha	1 p.m.	SNC has won last 16 meetings against CU dating back to 1996
Oct. 5	Monmouth	De Pere	1 p.m. (TV)	Monmouth has won last two meetings in De Pere
Oct. 12	Cornell (HC)	De Pere	1 p.m. (TV)	First visit to De Pere for Cornell since 1993
Oct. 19	Lawrence	Appleton	1 p.m.	SNC set school record for points in a game in 79-7 win in '12
Nov. 2	Beloit	De Pere	1 p.m.	SNC scores touchdowns on its first six possessions in '12
Nov. 9	Grinnell	De Pere	1 p.m. (TV)	Two fourth-quarter TDs lift St. Norbert past Grinnell last year
Nov. 16	Lake Forest	Lake Forest, Ill.	1 p.m.	SNC is 13-1 all-time at LFC, including 12-straight wins there

St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
Location:De Pere, WI 54115
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:1898
Enrollment:2,168
President:Thomas Kunkel
Athletics Director:Tim Bald
Conference:Midwest Conference
Facility:Donald J. Schneider Stadium
Capacity:2,454
Year Opened:2010
All-Time Schneider Stadium Record:11-3
Head Coach:Jim Purtill
Record at St. Norbert:122-27 (15th year)
First Season/Seasons of Football:1931/80
All-Time Overall Record:412-274-20
All-Time MWC Record:170-35-0
MWC Championships:14
 (1985,87,88,89,99,2000,01,02,03,04,06,07,10,12)
NCAA Playoff Appearances:10
 (1989,99,2000,01,03,04,06,07,10,12)

Head Coach Jim Purtill

Education:

Bachelor's degree at
 Miami (Ohio)
 University (1978);
 master's degree at
 Salem (W. Va.)
 College (1995).

Coaching

Experience:

Offensive line coach
 at Ferris State (1988
 to 1994); offensive
 coordinator at
 Albion (1995 to 1998); head coach at St. Norbert
 (March 9, 1999 to present).



Purtill at St. Norbert

Year	Overall	MWC	Place	NCAA
1999	9-2	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2000	10-1	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2001	8-2	7-1	T1st	First Rd.
2002	9-1	8-1	T1st	
2003	11-1	9-0	1st	Second Rd.
2004	9-2	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2005	8-2	8-1	2nd	
2006	10-1	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2007	10-1	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2008	7-3	7-2	3rd	
2009	9-1	8-1	2nd	
2010	7-4	7-2	1st	First Rd.
2011	7-3	7-2	3rd	
2012	8-3	8-1	T1st	First Rd.
2013	0-0	0-0		
Totals	122-27	114-11		

Purtill vs. Midwest Conference

Team	Overall	Home	Away
Beloit	13-1	6-0	7-1
Carroll	13-0	7-0	6-0
Cornell	1-0	0-0	1-0
Grinnell	14-0	6-0	8-0
Illinois College	10-3	5-1	5-2
Knox	14-0	8-0	6-0
Lake Forest	13-1	7-1	6-0
Lawrence	14-0	8-0	6-0
Monmouth	9-5	4-3	5-2
Ripon	13-1	6-0	7-1
Totals	114-11	57-5	57-6

DaQuan Grobsmith's 1-yard run. Myers hit Randy Greenwood on a swing pass out of the backfield, and Greenwood broke free for a 73-yard touchdown for a 13-3 lead with 6:35 left before halftime.

The Blue Streaks struck a huge blow in deciding the outcome with two touchdowns in the last 1:27 of the first half. Myers twice found Lane Robilotto on 20-yard touchdown passes, the last one coming with 15 seconds left before intermission after St. Norbert bobbled a punt snap and gave the ball up on downs.

St. Norbert couldn't muster much offense, getting just 90 yards of total offense on 59 plays. Austin Williams rushed 14 times for a team-high 43 yards. James Tringali made his first collegiate start for the Green Knights, completing 12 of 25 passes for 48 yards and one interception.

John Carroll had 513 yards of total offense, with 483 coming through the air. Robilotto caught nine passes for 116 yards, while Kline added eight receptions for 143 yards.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Jim Purtill (Miami-Ohio, 1978) is 122-27 in his 14th season in De Pere.

John Carroll coach Tom Arth (John Carroll, 2003) is 0-0 in his first season in University Heights.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the 2013 season coming off its 14th consecutive season with at least seven wins. The Green Knights claimed their 10th Midwest Conference title in the last 14 years last season after finishing league play 8-1 and ended the season 8-3 overall.

Sophomore running back Brad Boockmeier is the Green Knights' top returning rusher after netting 430 yards on 75 carries with six touchdowns last season. Junior quarterback James Tringali completed 152 of 278 passes (54.7 percent) a year ago for 1,847 yards with 17 touchdowns and 11 interceptions. Senior wide receiver Brian

Fliess is the leading returning receiver after catching 26 passes for 365 yards and four touchdowns last season. Senior wide receiver Michael Heim caught 15 passes for 159 yards and two touchdowns last season.

Senior defensive back Anthony Parker led St. Norbert in tackles last season with 65, and was second in interceptions with two.

St. Norbert averaged 27.6 points and 311.7 yards per game last season. Defensively, the Green Knights allowed opponents 22.1 points and 321.3 yards per game.

About the Blue Streaks:

John Carroll enters its first season under new head coach Tom Arth following a 6-4 season a year ago. The Blue Streaks finished play in the rigorous Ohio Athletic Conference with a 5-4 mark.

Junior quarterback Mark Myers leads the John Carroll offense after passing for 2,882 yards with 25 touchdowns last season. Senior running back DaQuan Grobsmith had a team-high 385 rushing yards with four touchdowns. Grobsmith was second on the team in receiving last season with 40 catches for 331 yards, while senior wide receiver Alex Kline had 33 catches for 522 yards with seven touchdowns.

John Carroll averaged 31.7 points and 429.2 yards per game last season. Defensively, the Blue Streaks allowed 22.8 points and 325.3 yards per game.

Opening Day Observations:

St. Norbert has won seven of its last 13 season openers. The Green Knights lost last year's season opener to John Carroll 40-3 last Aug. 31 in Dublin, Ireland.

The first four season-opening wins in the last 13 years all came against Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference foes Hamline University and the University of St. Thomas. The Green Knights defeated the Pipers 34-22 in St. Paul in 2000 and won 26-22 in 2001 in De Pere. St. Norbert then beat St. Thomas 35-31 in 2002 and 21-19 in 2003. St. Norbert topped Wartburg

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Last Time It Happened

Safety:

By St. Norbert: vs. Monmouth, 9/30/12

By Opponent: Cornell, 10/6/12

Overtime Game:

vs. Carroll, 9/22/12 (St. Norbert 28, Carroll 21) - 1 OT

50 Points in a Game:

By St. Norbert: vs. Lawrence, 10/13/12 (79)

By Opponent: North Central, 11/20/10 (57)

Punt Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Dan Sjoquist vs. Beloit, 11/1/08 (51 yards)

By Opponent: Todd Steele, Monmouth, 9/22/90 (90 yards)

Kickoff Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Loren Coleman vs. Ripon, 10/23/04 (93 yards)

By Opponent: D.J. Jackson, Illinois College, 11/8/08 (95 yards)

Interception Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Austin Prusha vs. Lake Forest, 11/5/11 (61 yards)

By Opponent: Eric Fisher, Illinois College, 10/9/10 (70 yards)

Fumble Return for TD:

By St. Norbert: Austin Arts vs. Beloit, 10/27/12 (15 yards)

By Opponent: Kevin Hwang, Grinnell, 11/3/12 (22 yards)

200 Yards Rushing:

By St. Norbert: Casey Meehan vs. Grinnell, 10/30/04 (254 yards)

By Opponent: Justin Berrens, Lawrence, 10/11/03 (215 yards)

300 Yards Passing:

By St. Norbert: Kevin Hansen vs. Grinnell, 10/22/11 (329 yards)

By Opponent: Juan Flores, Cornell, 10/6/12 (324 yards)

150 Yards Receiving:

By St. Norbert: Jeremy Gezella vs. Lawrence, 9/19/09 (157 yards)

By Opponent: Robert Seer, Grinnell, 10/22/11 (204 yards)

10 Pass Receptions:

By St. Norbert: Joe Green vs. Grinnell, 10/22/11 (10)

By Opponent: Ra'Shad Green, Cornell, 10/6/12 (10)

40 Yard Field Goal:

By St. Norbert: Randy Hill vs. Cornell, 10/6/12 (41 yards)

By Opponent: Graham Fisher, Grinnell, 11/3/12 (40 yards)

Defensive Extra Point:

By St. Norbert: Ernest James vs. Monmouth, 10/11/08

By Opponent: Derek Micke, Lawrence, 8/15/07

42-35 in overtime in 2009's lidlifter to earn a split in the two-year series.

The four MIAC games from 2000-03 were the Green Knights' first openers against a non-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference or NCAA Division II foe since 1983, the last time SNC won an opener prior to 2000 (24-14 over Monmouth in 1983). The Green Knights opened against NCAA Division II Michigan Tech from 1984 to 1987, UW-Stevens Point in 1988 and 1989, UW-Oshkosh from 1990 to 1999, UW-Whitewater in 2004 and 2005, Olivet Nazarene in 2006 and 2007, Wartburg in 2008 and 2009 and St. Thomas again in 2010 and 2011.

St. Norbert, entering its 80th year of varsity football, is 37-36-6 in season openers.

The Green Knights are scheduled to begin a home-and-home series with Carthage to open the 2014 and 2015 seasons. The 2014 opener will be at Carthage.

Roster Diversity:

St. Norbert has 100 players listed on its roster as of Sept. 3, a decrease of 23 from the same point in time last season.

On the 2013 roster, 62 players are from Wisconsin. Illinois has the second-highest total with 17 players hailing from the Land of Lincoln. Florida is third with six players. Michigan is next with four players, and there is one each from Colorado, Minnesota and Texas.

There are three foreign players, one each from Denmark and Sweden.

Quick Hitters:

* - St. Norbert is 184-12 all-time when scoring 30-or-more points and is 112-2 all-time when scoring 40-or-more points.

* - During Jim Purtill's 14-year tenure as head coach, St. Norbert has scored 63 defensive and special teams touchdowns. Using available game records, research uncovered St. Norbert had scored just 35 defensive touchdowns from 1956 to 1998. Under Purtill, St. Norbert is 31-2 when scoring a defensive touchdown and has scored multiple defensive scores in a game eight different times.

MWC Football Coaches With 100 Career Wins

Name, School	Years	Record	Win Pct.
Jerry Clark, Cornell	1959-86 (28)	159-85-1	.651
Ron Ernst, Ripon	1991-present (23)	143-72	.665
Ed DeGeorge, Beloit	1977-2005 (29)	135-136-1	.498
Jim Purtill, St. Norbert	1999-present (15)	122-27	.819
Ron Roberts, Lawrence	1965-83, 92 (20)	121-54-1	.690
Bernie Heselton, Lawrence	1938-64 (27)	111-79-5	.582