

St. Norbert College Sports Information

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview No. 23 St. Norbert College (11-2, 8-0) at Knox College (1-11, 0-7) Saturday, January 16, 2016 - 1 p.m.

Memorial Gym (2,000) - Galesburg, Illinois

Game Overview:

St. Norbert gets back on the road to face Knox in Midwest Conference action. The Green Knights are tied with Carroll at 8-0 atop the conference standings.

Broadcast:

The games will be broadcast with video streaming and live stats at: http://portal.stretchinternet.com/snc/

The Series:

St. Norbert leads Knox 31-10 in a series dating back to the 1985-86 season. The Green Knights have won 12 straight games in the series since the Prairie Fire swept the season series in the 2007-08 season.

Last Meeting:

St. Norbert topped Knox 73-40 on Feb. 14, 2015 at Memorial Gym in Galesburg, Ill. The Green Knights led just 31-25 at halftime before outscoring the Prairie Fire 42-15 in the second half. Andrew Schwoerer led St. Norbert with 16 points and Austin Elliott added 15 points. Orlando Brown led Knox with seven points.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 180-60 in his tenth season in De Pere. He was 51-31 in three seasons at Lakeland before arriving at St. Norbert to give him an overall mark of 231-91.

Knox coach Kevin Walden (Knox, 2001) is 9-72 in his fourth season in Galesburg.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game 11-2 overall and is 9-0 in the Midwest Conference. The Green Knights, who have won 52 consecutive games against Midwest Conference opponents, enjoyed their second-largest victory margin in a league game this season with an 86-60 win at Beloit this past Tuesday.

Sophomore guard D.J. DeValk owns the team scoring lead at 14.2 points per game, and his assist-to-turnover ratio of plus 3.38 in currently tenth in Division III. Junior guard Ben Bobinski is averaging 13.8 points and 5.3 rebounds per game. Junior guard Terrence Garner is collecting an average - MORE -

2015-2016 Results								
Date	Opponent	Result						
N 16	UW-Oshkosh (23)	W 68-62						
N 24	at UW-Stevens Point (9)	L 66-61						
N 28	at Monmouth *	W 64-59						
D 2	Ripon *	W 59-57						
D 5	at Grinnell *	W 104-91						
D 8	Lake Forest *	W 64-61						
D 12	UW-Eau Claire	W 89-60						
D 19	Cornell *	W 79-46						
D 22	Illinois College *	W 76-67						
D 29	Anderson %	W 94-66						
D 30	Alma %	L 82-65						
J 6	Lawrence *	W 82-62						
J 12	at Beloit *	W 86-60						
J 16	at Knox *	1 p.m.						
J 20	Carroll *	5 p.m.						
J 23	Monmouth *	1 p.m.						
J 26	at Ripon *	5:30 p.m.						
J 30	at Carroll *	1 p.m.						
F 3	at Lawrence *	5:30 p.m.						
F 6	Beloit *	2 p.m.						
F 9	at Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.						
F 13	Knox *	1 p.m.						
F 20	at Cornell *	1 p.m.						
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National Bank Holiday Tournament - De Pere, Wis. **Note:** Home games in **bold;** (rankings) by D3hoops.com.

of 11.1 points and a team-high 6.2 rebounds per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 76.2 points per game and is shooting 48.5 percent from the floor, 38.4 percent on 3-pointers and 74.4 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 64.5 points per game while shooting 41.8 percent from the floor, 31.4 percent on 3-pointers and 67.0 percent at the free-throw line.

About the Prairie Fire:

Knox enters the game 1-11 overall and is 0-7 in the Midwest Conference. The Prairie Fire won its season opener over Blackburn 81-73, but has dropped its last 11 games. Knox fell 119-94 at Grinnell this past Tuesday.

Sophomore forward Caylab Herrera leads the Prairie Fire at 18.1 points and 7.8 rebounds per game. Freshman guard Braden Adams is scoring an average of 11.0 points per game, while junior guard Robert Suntken is netting 9.3 points per game.

Knox is averaging 75.9 points per game and is shooting 44.6 percent from the floor, 36.6 percent on 3-pointers and 67.8 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 86.2 points per game while shooting 47.5 percent from the floor, 38.1 percent on 3-pointers and 70.8 percent at the free-throw line.

Streak Skinny:

St. Norbert became the first Midwest Conference men's basket-ball team to post consecutive unbeaten league seasons in 64 years after finishing 18-0 in MWC play in 2013-14 and 2014-15.

The Green Knights, who have won a record 52 consecutive games against MWC opponents, were the first team to go two years without a league loss since Beloit in 1950 and 1951. The Green Knights have also won 35 consecutive home games against MWC foes.

St. Norbert's current streak began with a 57-52 win over Ripon on Feb. 12, 2013 in De Pere.

St. Norbert is 63-1 in its last 64 games against MWC foes. Grinnell was the last MWC team to beat the Green Knights, posting a 104-99

overtime win on Feb. 9, 2013 in Grinnell, Iowa.

Streak Skinny II:

St. Norbert's current 52-game winning streak against Midwest Conference opponents is believed to be the second-longest conference skein in history by a NCAA Division III member.

Wheaton-Ill. fashioned a 61-game winning streak in the College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin in the late 1950s. UW-Eau Claire had a 49-game winning streak in the then-Wisconsin State University Conference in the early 1970s.

Building a Winner:

Now in his tenth season, head coach Gary Grzesk turned the St. Norbert men's basketball program into an annual contender for the Midwest Conference championship, winning the MWC title five times in the last six seasons.

The Green Knights have won 20 games five times in the last six years under Grzesk. In the program's previous 86 seasons, St. Norbert had 20-win seasons just twice.

St. Norbert's 25 wins in 2014 is a school record. The Green Knights won 24 games in 2015, 23 games in 2010 and 21 games twice (1984 and 2002). St. Norbert also won 20 games in 2011 and 2013.

St. Norbert's 85-18 record from 2012 to 2015 marks the best four-year total in school history.

Since starting the 2007-08 season 2-5, St. Norbert is a solid 169-42. St. Norbert reached its highest national ranking in the 17-year history of the D3hoops.com Top 25 with a No. 3 ranking the week of Feb. 23, 2015.

Jump Shots:

* - St. Norbert is seventh in Division III at assist-to-turnover ratio at plus-1.53 per game. Ozarks is the national leader at plus-1.97.

*-St. Norbert is 14th nationally in fewest turnovers per game (10.5). Ohio Wesleyan is the national leader at 8.3 per game.

Head Coach Gary Grzesk

Education: Bachelor's degree in Spanish at UW-Green Bay (1996); master's degree in education administration at Youngstown State (1998).

Playing Experience: Four-year letterman at UW-Green Bay (1993-96).

Coaching Experience:

Career

Assistant coach at Youngstown State (1996-2002); assistant coach at UW-Green Bay (2002-03); head coach at Lakeland (2003-06); head coach at St. Norbert (April 13, 2006 to present).

Grzesk's Head Coaching Record

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Lakeland				
Year	Overall	LMC	Place	NCAA
2003-04	16-13	8-4	3rd	First Rd.
2004-05	14-12	7-5	T3rd	
2005-06	21-6	13-1	1st	
Totals	51-31	28-10		
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Year	Overall	MWC	Place	NCAA
2006-07	9-13	8-8	6th	
2007-08	14-10	10-6	T3rd	
2008-09	18-6	12-4	T3rd	
2009-10	23-4	14-2	1st	Second Rd.
2010-11	20-6	14-4	1st	First Rd.
2011-12	16-9	12-6	3rd	
2012-13	20-6	15-3	1st	First Rd.
2013-14	25-2	18-0	1st	Second Rd.
2014-15	24-2	18-0	1st	First Rd.
2015-16	11-2	8-0		
Totals	180-60	129-33		

Grzesk vs. MWC at St. Norbert

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Team	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral								
Beloit	15-4	8-1	7-3	0-0								
Carroll	15-7	10-2	5-4	0-1								
Cornell	6-1	4-0	2-1	0-0								
Grinnell	14-7	10-1	3-6	1-0								
Illinois Coll	. 16-0	8-0	8-0	0-0								
Knox	14-2	7-1	7-1	0-0								
Lake Forest	14-3	7-2	7-1	0-0								
Lawrence	13-7	7-3	6-4	0-0								
Monmouth	14-1	7-0	7-1	0-0								
Ripon	19-4	13-1	6-3	0-0								
Totals	140-36	81-11	58-24	1-1								

MWC Glance									
Team	MWC	Overall							
St. Norbert	8-0	11-2							
Carroll	8-0	12-1							
Lake Forest	6-2	8-4							
Monmouth	6-3	9-4							
Ripon	6-3	8-6							
Grinnell	3-5	6-7							
Beloit	3-6	5-9							
Cornell	2-6	4-9							
Lawrence	2-6	5-8							
Illinois College	1-7	4-9							
Knox	0-7	1-11							

St. Norbert Quick Facts

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Nickname:
Location:
Colors: Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:
Enrollment:
President:
Athletics Director:Tim Bald
Conference:
Facility:Schuldes Sports Center
Capacity:2,100
Year Opened:
Head Coach:
Record at St. Norbert:
Record Overall: 231-91 (13th year)
Assistant Coaches:
Bryan Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk
Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:93
All-Time Overall Record:1,033-858
All-Time MWC Record:
MWC Championships: Seven
(1984, 2002, '10, '11, '13, '14, '15)
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Eight
(1958, '84, 2002, 10, '11, '13, '14, '15)
NAIA Tournament Appearances:Three
(1961, '62, '65)

D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #6 - Jan. 11, 2016

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record					
1	Whitworth (15)	603	13-0					
2	Elmhurst (2)	575	13-1					
3	Augustana (5)	557	13-1					
4	Hope (2)	541	12-1					
5	Benedictine (1)	535	14-0					
6	St. Thomas	521	10-1					
7	John Carroll	475	13-0					
8	Ohio Wesleyan	449	12-1					
9	Amherst	416	11-1					
10	Marietta	363	11-2					
11	Susquehanna	354	14-0					
12	WPI	348	12-1					
13	Christopher Newport	330	12-1					
14	UW-Whitewater	286	11-2					
15	New York Univ.	280	10-0					
16	Chicago	259	10-2					
17	Franklin and Marshall	197	10-2					
18	Tufts	171	11-2					
19	Mount Union	148	10-3					
20	Roanoke	111	12-1					
21	Whitman	87	11-2					
22	Lancaster Bible	80	10-0					
23	St. Norbert	63	10-2					
24	Scranton	50	11-3					
25	North Central-Ill.	39	10-4					
Others receiving votes: Bethel 29 Trine 29 Hiram								

Others receiving votes: Bethel 29, Trine 29, Hiram 27, Texas Lutheran 24, Oswego State 23, Cortland State 20, Carroll 17, Johnson & Wales 11, MIT 10, Northwestern-Minn. 10, Delaware Valley 10, Chapman 9, St. John's 8, Babson 7, Brooklyn 7, Virginia Wesleyan 6, Wesleyan 6, Alma 6, Trinity-Conn. 6, Washington-Mo. 6, Colby 5, Swarthmore 4, Salisbury 2, UW-Stevens Point 2, Albertus Magnus 1, Oneonta State 1, St. Vincent 1.

St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#0 - Dakota Oskey

Points: 6 (1/12/16 vs. Beloit) Rebounds: 3 (12/29/15 vs. Anderson) Assists: 3 (12/19/15 vs. Cornell)

#3 - Terrence Garner

Points: 24 (2/28/15 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 12 (2 times, last 12/22/15 vs. Illinois College)

Assists: 9 (12/22/15 vs. Illinois College)

#4 - Mitch Winter

Points: 16 (12/17/14 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 6 (1/3/15 vs. Cornell) Assists: 2 (5 times, last 12/19/15 vs. Cornell)

#10 - D.J. DeValk

Points: 25 (12/29/15 vs. Anderson) Rebounds: 5 (3 times, last 12/22/15 vs. Illinois College) Assists: 9 (1/3/15 vs. Cornell)

#11 - Seth Taylor

Points: 17 (2 times, last 1/12/16 vs. Beloit)

Rebounds: 6 (3 times, last 1/12/16 vs. Beloit)

Assists: 2 (2 times, last 1/6/16 vs. Lawrence)

#12 - Riley Haas

Points: n/a

Rebounds: 2 (2 times, last 12/19/15 vs. Cornell)

Assists: 1 (12/19/15 vs. Cornell)

#13 - Josh Hillis

Points: 11 (12/22/15 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 4 (11/28/15 vs. Monmouth) Assists: n/a

#20 - Sean Benka

Points: 4 (2 times, last 12/19/15 vs. Cornell)

Rebounds: 3 (1/31/15 vs. Carroll) Assists: 1 (7 times, last 12/29/15 vs. Anderson)

#21 - Brett O'Sullivan

Points: 5 (2 times, last 1/6/16 vs. Lawrence)

Rebounds: 5 (2 times, last 1/6/16 vs. Lawrence)

Assists: 2 (2 times, last 1/12/16 vs. Beloit)

#22 - Ben Bobinski

Points: 22 (12/5/15 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 8 (3 times, last 1/6/16 vs. Lawrence) Assists: 5 (12/5/15 vs. Grinnell)

#24 - Mitchell Reinthaler

Points: 24 (11/18/15 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 10 (11/16/15 vs. UW-Oshkosh)

Assists: 5 (12/5/15 vs. Grinnell)

#30 - Taylor Penn

Points: 20 (12/5/15 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 5 (12/29/15 vs. Anderson) Assists: 4 (1/12/16 vs. Beloit)

#32 - Brian Luteyn

Points: 5 (1/6/16 vs. Lawrence) Rebounds: 6 (1/12/16 vs. Beloit) Assists: 2 (1/6/16 vs. Lawrence)

#44 - Tim Marshall

Points: 12 (12/19/15 vs. Cornell) Rebounds: 8 (2 times, last 11/28/15 vs. Monmouth) Assists: 3 (12/29/15 vs. Anderson)

#45 - Marcus Ruch

Points: 3 (2 times, last 1/6/16 vs. Lawrence) Rebounds: 1 (1/6/16 vs. Lawrence) Assists: n/a

#51 - John Parris

Points: 3 (12/29/15 vs. Anderson) Rebounds: 2 (12/19/15 vs. Cornell) Assists: n/a



St. Norbert College Men's Basketball St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Jan 12, 2016) All games



Overall record: 11-2 Conf: 8-0 Home: 8-1 Away: 3-1 Neutral: 0-0

					Total		3-Poii	nt	F-Thro	W	- 1	Rebou	nds									
##	Player	gp-gs	min	avg	fg-fga	fg%	3fg-fga	3fg%	ft-fta	ft%	off	def	tot	avg	pf	dq	a	to	blk	stl	pts	avg
10	D.J. DeValk	13-13	391	30.1	65-142	.458	24-68	.353	31-35	.886	5	29	34	2.6	36	1	44	13	3	20	185	14.2
22	Ben Bobinski	13-13	367	28.2	55-125	.440	23-52	.442	46-54	.852	8	61	69	5.3	21	1	29	17	0	7	179	13.8
03	Terrence Garner	13-13	378	29.1	61-110	.555	0-6	.000	22-33	.667	23	58	81	6.2	24	0	51	28	4	12	144	11.1
24	Mitchell Reinthaler	8-8	219	27.4	34-70	.486	5-14	.357	32-43	.744	16	26	42	5.3	11	0	16	5	1	7	105	13.1
44	Tim Marshall	13-13	297	22.8	34-53	.642	0-0	.000	12-22	.545	24	38	62	4.8	28	0	13	15	11	5	80	6.2
30	Taylor Penn	13-5	223	17.2	25-51	.490	11-22	.500	18-23	.783	4	25	29	2.2	18	0	14	12	1	3	79	6.1
11	Seth Taylor	13-0	190	14.6	26-53	.491	8-21	.381	12-15	.800	5	33	38	2.9	8	0	13	13	0	6	72	5.5
04	Mitch Winter	9-0	138	15.3	17-40	.425	10-21	.476	2-2	1.000	3	13	16	1.8	10	0	9	5	3	5	46	5.1
13	Josh Hillis	12-0	95	7.9	10-16	.625	0-0	.000	10-18	.556	5	10	15	1.3	20	0	0	2	4	1	30	2.5
21	Brett O'Sullivan	12-0	126	10.5	8-19	.421	0-0	.000	8-11	.727	5	14	19	1.6	10	0	6	7	0	1	24	2.0
20	Sean Benka	7-0	31	4.4	5-7	.714	0-0	.000	3-5	.600	1	4	5	0.7	5	0	2	2	0	0	13	1.9
00	Dakota Oskey	5-0	40	8.0	3-13	.231	0-4	.000	6-8	.750	3	4	7	1.4	2	0	5	3	1	2	12	2.4
32	Brian Luteyn	8-0	40	5.0	4-8	.500	0-0	.000	2-5	.400	7	7	14	1.8	6	0	4	3	0	1	10	1.3
45	Marcus Ruch	6-0	16	2.7	3-3	1.000	1-1	1.000	1-2	.500	0	1	1	0.2	2	0	0	0	0	0	8	1.3
51	John Parris	5-0	18	3.6	1-5	.200	1-3	.333	1-1	1.000	0	3	3	0.6	2	0	0	2	1	1	4	8.0
12	Riley Haas	7-0	28	4.0	0-5	.000	0-3	.000	0-0	.000	1	5	6	0.9	3	0	1	3	0	1	0	0.0
23	x-Vinny Cincotta	1-0	3	3.0	0-3	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										24	24	48					5				
	Total	13	2600		351-723	.485	83-216	.384	206-277	.744	134	355	489	37.6	206	2	208	136	29	72	991	76.2
	Opponents	13	2600		302-722	.418	99-315	.314	136-203	.670	102	278	380	29.2	240	2	157	135	21	64	839	64.5

x-Inactive player

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP
SCORING	991	839
Points per game	76.2	64.5
Scoring margin	+11.7	-
FIELD GOALS-ATT	351-723	302-722
Field goal pct	.485	.418
3 POINT FG-ATT	83-216	99-315
3-point FG pct	.384	.314
3-pt FG made per game	6.4	7.6
FREE THROWS-ATT	206-277	136-203
Free throw pct	.744	.670
F-Throws made per game	15.8	10.5
REBOUNDS	489	380
Rebounds per game	37.6	29.2
Rebounding margin	+8.4	-
ASSISTS	208	157
Assists per game	16.0	12.1
TURNOVERS	136	135
Turnovers per game	10.5	10.4
Turnover margin	-0.1	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.5	1.2
STEALS	72	64
Steals per game	5.5	4.9
BLOCKS	29	21
Blocks per game	2.2	1.6
ATTENDANCE	6245	2577
Home games-Avg/Game	9-694	4-644
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
St. Norbert College	482	509	991
Opponents	375	464	839

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	11/16/15	UW-OSHKOSH	W	68-62	816
	11/24/15	at UW-Stevens Point	L	61-66	1220
*	11/28/15	at Monmouth College	W	64-59	350
*	12/2/15	RIPON COLLEGE	W	59-57	739
*	12/5/15	at Grinnell College	W	104-91	857
*	12/8/15	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	W	64-61	617
	12/12/15	UW-EAU CLAIRE	W	89-60	743
*	12/19/15	CORNELL COLLEGE	W	79-46	661
*	12/22/15	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	W	76-67	410
#	12/29/15	ANDERSON UNIV.	W	94-66	674
#	12/30/15	ALMA COLLEGE	L	65-82	868
*	1/6/16	LAWRENCE UNIV.	W	82-62	717
*	1/12/16	at Beloit College	W	86-60	150

 $^{^{\}star}$ - Midwest Conference game # - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament (De Pere, Wis.)