

# St. Norbert College **Sports Information**

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview No. 14 St. Norbert College (18-4) vs. Beloit College (6-16) Saturday, February 18, 2017 - 3 p.m. Kress Events Center (3,993) - Green Bay, Wisconsin

#### Game Overview:

St. Norbert tries to claim its fifth consecutive outright Midwest Conference championship when it hosts Beloit. With a win, the Green Knights would become the first MWC team to win five consecutive outright men's basketball championships since Carleton won six in a row from 1928 to 1933.

#### **Broadcast:**

The game will be broadcast with streaming https://portal.stretchinternet.com/snc/ http://www.snc.edu/athletics/teamfiles/livestats/xlive.htm

#### The Series:

St. Norbert leads Beloit 44-23 in an all-time series dating back to the 1983-84 season. The Green Knights have won 17 of the last 20 meetings in the series.

#### Last Meeting:

St. Norbert defeated Beloit 72-51 on Jan. 4, 2017 at Flood Arena in Beloit. The Green Knights led 33-27 at halftime before holding the Buccaneers to seven second-half field goals. D.J. DeValk led St. Norbert with 16 points while Ben Bobinski added 15 points. Cody Risseeuw led Beloit with 13 points while Mason Jones added 10 points.

#### The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 212-65 in his 11th 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 263-96.

Beloit coach Brian Vraney (Wisconsin, 1998) is 81-148 in his tenth season in Beloit.

#### **About the Green Knights:**

St. Norbert enters the game 18-4 overall and 15-2 in the Midwest Conference. The Green Knights clinched a share of its fifth consecutive MWC title and the No. 1 seeding for the MWC Tournament with a 64-58 win over Lake Forest this past Tuesday.

Junior guard D.J. DeValk leads the Green Knights in scoring at 15.2 - MORE -

#### Date Opponent Result N 15 at UW-Eau Claire L 68-67 N 19 at Benedictine (6) W 71-70 D 2 at Knox \* W 76-37 D 3 at Illinois College \* W 63-52 D 7 Lawrence \* W 76-45

at Cornell \*

Finlandia %

at UW-Oshkosh

at Monmouth \*

at Lake Forest \*

at Grinnell \*

Lake Forest \*

Beloit \*

2016-2017 Results

W 66-58

L 58-45

W 88-35

W 91-62

W 59-52

L 91-87

W 64-58

3 p.m.

D 30 **UW-Platteville** % W 63-56 at Beloit \* J 4 W 72-51 J 6 Grinnell \* W 100-73 J 13 Illinois College \* W 83-60 I 14 Monmouth \* W 65-40 J 18 at Ripon \* L 81-55 J 21 Knox \* W 65-48 I 25 at Lawrence \* W 77-57 J 28 Cornell \* W 67-57 J 31 Ripon \* W 79-62

F 24 TBA \$ 7 p.m. \* - Midwest Conference game; % - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament - Green Bay, Wis.; \$ - Midwest Conference Tournament -Green Bay, Wis. **Note:** Home games in **bold** and

played at Kress Events Center at UW-Green Bay;

(rankings) by D3hoops.com.

points per game. Senior guard Ben Bobinski is averaging 13.7 points per game. Junior forward Mitchell Reinthaler is averaging 11.6 points per game, while senior center Tim Marshall is averaging 6.9 points per game. Sophomore guard Taylor Penn is also averaging 6.9 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 71.8 points per game and is shooting 47.0 percent from the floor, 34.4 percent on 3-pointers and 71.5 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 57.8 points per game while shooting 39.1 percent from the floor, 32.9 percent on 3-pointers and 67.3 percent at the free-throw line.

#### **About the Buccaneers:**

Beloit enters the game with a 6-16 overall record and a 4-13 mark in the Midwest Conference. The Buccaneers are coming off a 67-59 home loss to Cornell this past Tuesday.

Junior guard Cody Risseeuw is averaging a team-high 14.6 points per game. Senior guard Andrew Bremner is averaging 11.8 points and a team-high 8.8 rebounds per game. Freshman forward Tristan Shoup is averaging 9.1 points and 6.1 rebounds per game. Senior guard Mike Gulve is averaging 7.9 points per game.

Beloit is averaging 67.8 points per game and is shooting 44.8 percent from the floor, 32.7 percent on 3-pointers and 63.4 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 75.0 points per game while shooting 45.7 percent from the floor, 34.7 percent on 3-pointers and 71.7 percent at the free-throw line.

#### **Thousand Talk:**

St. Norbert junior guard D.J. DeValk is on the brink of reaching the 1,000-point milestone for his career. DeValk enters Saturday's game against Beloit with 999 career points.

A total of 27 St. Norbert players have reached the 1,000-point mark in their career, with Andrew Schwoerer the most recent with 1,439 points from 2012-15.

If DeValk reaches 1,000 points

this season, he would join Schwoerer, Joe Emmerich (1,811, 1980-84) and Lee Schroeder (1,308, 1986-90) as the only players to reach that mark during their junior year since 1975.

#### **Streak Skinny:**

St. Norbert saw its 72-game winning streak against Midwest Conference opponents end in a loss to Ripon on Jan. 18. It is believed to be the longest conference victory skein in history by a current NCAA Division III member.

The Green Knights still have a lengthy active home-court winning streak against MWC foes, having won their last 49 games since a 105-94 loss to Grinnell on Dec. 8, 2012.

Dating back to the 2009-10 season, St. Norbert is 78-4 at home against MWC opponents and have never lost more than one conference home game in any of those eight seasons to date.

#### **Building a Winner:**

Now in his 11th 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 seven times in the last eight seasons. The Green Knights are the first team to win at least four consecutive MWC men's basketball titles since Beloit won six straight from 1946-51.

The Green Knights have won 20 games six times in the last seven 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 and 2016 is the school record. The Green Knights won 24 games in 2015, 23 games in 2010 and 21 games twice (1984 and 2002). St. Norbert won 20 games in 2011 and 2013.

St. Norbert's 94-13 record from 2013 to 2016 marks the best four-year total in school history.

Since starting the 2007-08 season 2-5, St. Norbert is a solid 201-47. 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.

## 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:

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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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		
St. Norb	ert			
Year	Overall	<b>MWC</b>	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	25-3	18-0	1st	Sweet 16
2016-17	18-4	15-2		
Totals	212-65	154-35		
Career	263-96			

## Grzesk vs. MWC at St. Norbert

Team	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
Beloit	17-4	9-1	8-3	0-0
Carroll	18-7	12-2	6-4	0-1
Cornell	9-1	5-0	4-1	0-0
Grinnell	15-8	11-1	3-7	1-0
Illinois Coll	. 18-0	9-0	9-0	0-0
Knox	18-2	9-1	9-1	0-0
Lake Forest	18-3	9-2	9-1	0-0
Lawrence	16-7	8-3	8-4	0-0
Monmouth	17-1	9-0	8-1	0-0
Ripon	21-5	14-1	7-4	0-0
Totals	167-38	95-11	71-26	1-1

MWC Glance									
Team	MWC	Overall							
x-St. Norbert	15-2	18-4							
Ripon	14-3	17-4							
Cornell	10-7	11-11							
Lake Forest	10-7	12-10							
Lawrence	10-7	9-12							
Grinnell	8-9	15-7							
Monmouth	6-11	6-16							
Illinois College	5-12	8-14							
Beloit	4-13	6-16							
Knox	2-15	2-20							

## St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
<b>Location:</b>
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:
<b>Enrollment:</b>
President:Thomas Kunkel
Athletics Director:
Conference:
Facility:Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center
Capacity:
Year Opened:
Head Coach:
Record at St. Norbert:
<b>Record Overall:</b>
Assistant Coaches:
Bryan Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk
Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly, Keil Ganz
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:94
All-Time Overall Record:
All-Time MWC Record:
MWC Championships:Eight
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Nine
(1958, '84, 2002, 10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16)
<b>NAIA Tournament Appearances:</b> Three
(1961, '62, '65)
(1901, 02, 03)

## D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #12 - Feb. 13, 2017

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record				
1	Babson (14)	614	22-1				
2	Whitman (11)	611	23-0				
3	Christopher Newport	573	21-2				
4	UW-River Falls	528	21-2				
5	Whitworth	520	20-3				
6	Rochester	483	20-2				
7	Washington-Mo.	450	18-4				
8	Ramapo	431	22-2				
9	Marietta	426	19-4				
10	Middlebury	410	20-3				
11	Salisbury	373	19-4				
12	Benedictine	320	20-4				
13	Tufts	294	19-5				
14	St. Norbert	290	17-4				
15	Susquehanna	280	20-3				
16	Норе	246	19-4				
17	UW-Whitewater	199	19-4				
18	Amherst	193	17-6				
19	Denison	164	19-4				
20	Neumann	136	21-2				
21	Swarthmore	129	19-4				
22	Hanover	87	19-3				
23	Wesleyan	83	19-5				
24	Augustana	82	18-5				
25	Claremont-Mudd-Scrip	ps 59	18-3				
Others receiving votes: Guilford 46 New Jersey							

Others receiving votes: Guilford 46, New Jersey City 18, MIT 17, Brockport State 14, Ohio Wesleyan 10, UW-Eau Claire 8, Oswego State 5, John Carroll 4, Illinois Wesleyan 2, Ohio Northern 2, St. John Fisher 2, St. Thomas 2, Endicott 2.

## St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#### #1 - Riley Haas

Points: 7 (1/6/17 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 4 (1/6/17 vs. Grinnell) Assists: 2 (4 times, last 1/6/17 vs. Grinnell)

#### #3 - Terrence Garner

Points: 24 (2/28/15 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 14 (3/4/16 vs. Northwestern) Assists: 11 (2/9/16 vs. Lake Forest)

#### #5 - Joe Ciriacks

Points: 8 (12/29/16 vs. Finlandia) Rebounds: 3 (3 times, last 1/4/17 vs. Beloit)

Assists: 1 (3 times, last 2/4/17 vs. Monmouth)

#### #10 - D.J. DeValk

Points: 26 (12/3/16 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 7 (1/25/17 vs. Lawrence) Assists: 9 (2 times, last 1/25/17 vs. Lawrence)

#### #12 - Zach Geske

Points: n/a

Rebounds: 1 (2 times, last 12/7/16 vs. Lawrence)

Assists: n/a

#### #13 - Josh Hillis

Points: 11 (12/22/15 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 6 (12/29/16 vs. Finlandia) Assists: 2 (11/19/16 vs. Benedictine)

#### #15 - Ben Retzlaff

Points: n/a Rebounds: n/a Assists: n/a

#### #20 - Sean Benka

Points: 4 (3 times, last 12/7/16 vs. Lawrence)

Rebounds: 3 (1/31/15 vs. Carroll) Assists: 2 (12/7/16 vs. Lawrence)

#### #21 - Brett O'Sullivan

Points: 6 (11/15/16 vs. UW-Eau Claire) Rebounds: 5 (2 times, last 1/6/16 vs. Lawrence)

Assists: 3 (12/10/16 vs. Cornell)

#### #22 - Ben Bobinski

Points: 25 (2/20/16 vs. Cornell) Rebounds: 10 (1/14/17 vs. Monmouth) Assists: 5 (2 times, last 1/6/17 vs. Grinnell)

#### #23 - Parker Carlsen

Points: 4 (12/7/16 vs. Lawrence) Rebounds: 4 (12/7/16 vs. Lawrence) Assists: n/a

#### #24 - Mitchell Reinthaler

Points: 24 (11/18/15 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 10 (2 times, last 2/20/16 vs. Cornell) Assists: 5 (12/5/15 vs. Grinnell)

#### #25 - Jordan Newman

Points: 3 (1/13/17 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 2 (12/2/16 vs. Knox) Assists: 1 (12/29/16 vs. Finlandia)

#### #30 - Taylor Penn

Points: 20 (12/5/15 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 5 (3 times, last 12/29/16 vs. Finlandia) Assists: 4 (1/12/16 vs. Beloit)

#### #32 - Brian Luteyn

Points: 6 (1/6/17 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 6 (2 times, last 12/20/16 vs. UW-Oshkosh) Assists: 4 (12/2/16 vs. Knox)

#### #41 - Connor Curtis

Points: 19 (12/30/16 vs. UW-Platteville) Rebounds: 9 (1/6/17 vs. Grinnell) Assists: 2 (5 times, last 2/11/17 vs. Grinnell)

#### #44 - Tim Marshall

Points: 19 (1/31/17 vs. Ripon) Rebounds: 9 (2 times, last 11/19/16 vs. Benedictine) Assists: 3 (5 times, last 1/6/17 vs. Grinnell)

#### #45 - Marcus Ruch

Points: 3 (3 times, last 2/4/17 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 2 (2 times, last 1/13/17 vs. Illinois College) Assists: 2 (12/29/16 vs. Finlandia)

#### #52 - Joe Lemon

Points: 14 (1/6/17 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 11 (2/4/17 vs. Monmouth) Assists: 3 (2 times, last 2/4/17 vs. Monmouth)



# St. Norbert College Men's Basketball St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Feb 14, 2017) All games



Overall record: 18-4 Conf: 15-2 Home: 10-0 Away: 8-4 Neutral: 0-0

					Total		3-Poir	nt	F-Thro	W		Rebou	ınds									
##	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	22-22	710	32.3	118-280	.421	50-139	.360	48-60	.800	7	55	62	2.8	41	0	104	33	17	36	334	15.2
22	Ben Bobinski	22-15	593	27.0	101-218	.463	44-113	.389	56-73	.767	14	86	100	4.5	38	0	33	29	0	16	302	13.7
44	Tim Marshall	22-14	459	20.9	63-89	.708	0-0	.000	26-42	.619	31	45	76	3.5	50	2	25	27	9	14	152	6.9
30	Taylor Penn	22-7	381	17.3	61-126	.484	19-47	.404	11-19	.579	13	36	49	2.2	32	0	27	32	1	5	152	6.9
24	Mitchell Reinthaler	13-12	379	29.2	59-114	.518	3-23	.130	30-36	.833	23	42	65	5.0	26	0	17	10	3	7	151	11.6
03	Terrence Garner	22-22	596	27.1	46-111	.414	1-11	.091	28-45	.622	35	106	141	6.4	38	0	55	32	2	37	121	5.5
41	Connor Curtis	19-8	294	15.5	47-96	.490	8-19	.421	16-23	.696	30	31	61	3.2	34	0	16	22	12	6	118	6.2
52	Joe Lemon	22-10	371	16.9	33-71	.465	11-31	.355	16-18	.889	30	45	75	3.4	36	0	18	13	8	13	93	4.2
01	Riley Haas	15-0	131	8.7	12-26	.462	2-6	.333	10-16	.625	3	23	26	1.7	11	0	11	10	1	9	36	2.4
05	Joe Ciriacks	14-0	88	6.3	10-36	.278	7-23	.304	6-6	1.000	9	7	16	1.1	8	0	4	5	1	1	33	2.4
21	Brett O'Sullivan	16-0	138	8.6	11-19	.579	0-1	.000	3-4	.750	8	15	23	1.4	8	0	9	7	2	3	25	1.6
32	Brian Luteyn	15-0	97	6.5	9-16	.563	0-1	.000	6-10	.600	7	11	18	1.2	13	0	9	11	1	4	24	1.6
45	Marcus Ruch	10-0	30	3.0	5-11	.455	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	1	6	7	0.7	6	0	3	2	0	1	11	1.1
13	Josh Hillis	14-0	52	3.7	2-5	.400	0-0	.000	5-7	.714	6	11	17	1.2	8	0	3	4	1	3	9	0.6
25	Jordan Newman	12-0	37	3.1	3-10	.300	1-7	.143	0-2	.000	1	5	6	0.5	1	0	1	3	0	0	7	0.6
20	Sean Benka	7-0	32	4.6	3-6	.500	1-2	.500	0-5	.000	1	4	5	0.7	5	0	3	1	0	3	7	1.0
23	Parker Carlsen	1-0	3	3.0	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	3	1	4	4.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4.0
12	Zach Geske	3-0	7	2.3	0-6	.000	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	2	0	2	0.7	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.0
15	Ben Retzlaff	1-0	2	2.0	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										27	49	76					5				
	Total	22	4400		584-1243	.470	148-430	.344	263-368	.715	251	578	829	37.7	357	2	338	246	58	159	1579	71.8
	Opponents	22	4400		453-1158	.391	159-483	.329	206-306	.673	181	479	660	30.0	376	4	222	302	34	105	1271	57.8

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP
SCORING	1579	1271
Points per game	71.8	57.8
Scoring margin	+14.0	-
FIELD GOALS-ATT	584-1243	453-1158
Field goal pct	.470	.391
3 POINT FG-ATT	148-430	159-483
3-point FG pct	.344	.329
3-pt FG made per game	6.7	7.2
FREE THROWS-ATT	263-368	206-306
Free throw pct	.715	.673
F-Throws made per game	12.0	9.4
REBOUNDS	829	660
Rebounds per game	37.7	30.0
Rebounding margin	+7.7	-
ASSISTS	338	222
Assists per game	15.4	10.1
TURNOVERS	246	302
Turnovers per game	11.2	13.7
Turnover margin	+2.5	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.4	0.7
STEALS	159	105
Steals per game	7.2	4.8
BLOCKS	58	34
Blocks per game	2.6	1.5
ATTENDANCE	6449	8809
Home games-Avg/Game	10-645	12-734
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	Totals
St. Norbert College	717	862	1579
Opponents	583	688	1271

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	11/15/16	at UW-Eau Claire	L	67-68	3005
	11/19/16	at Benedictine (IL)	W	71-70	957
*	12/2/16	at Knox College	W	76-37	250
*	12/3/16	at Illinois College	W	63-52	375
*	12/7/16	LAWRENCE UNIV.	W	76-45	540
*	12/10/16	at Cornell College	W	66-58	215
	12/20/16	at UW-Oshkosh	L	45-58	282
#	12/29/16	FINLANDIA UNIV.	W	88-35	742
#	12/30/16	UW-PLATTEVILLE	W	63-56	787
*	1/4/17	at Beloit College	W	72-51	400
*	1/6/17	GRINNELL CÖLLEGE	W	100-73	839
*	1/13/17	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	W	83-60	422
*	1/14/17	MONMOUTH COLLEGE	W	65-40	521
*	1/18/17	at Ripon College	L	55-81	637
*	1/21/17	KNOX COLLEGE	W	65-48	466
*	1/25/17	at Lawrence University	W	77-57	857
*	1/28/17	CORNELL COLLEGE	W	67-57	710
*	1/31/17	RIPON COLLEGE	W	79-62	919
*	2/4/17	at Monmouth College	W	91-62	400
*	2/8/17	at Lake Forest College	W	59-52	414
*	2/11/17	at Grinnell College	L	87-91	1017
*	2/14/17	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	W	64-58	503

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  - Midwest Conference game # - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament (Green Bay, Wis.)