

St. Norbert College Athletics Communications

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Men's Basketball Preview St. Norbert College (15-5) vs. Monmouth College (13-7) Saturday, February 3, 2018 - 1 p.m.
Jim Kress Gymnasium (1,844) - De Pere, Wisconsin

Game Overview:

St. Norbert returns home to face Monmouth in another key Midwest Conference game. The Green Knights and Fighting Scots are tied for first place in the MWC along with Ripon and Lake Forest, which also play Saturday.

Broadcast:

The game will be broadcast with video streaming at: http://portal.stretch-internet.com/snc/

Live stats are available at: http://www.snc.edu/athletics/teamfiles/lives-tats/xlive.htm

The Series:

St. Norbert leads Monmouth 30-12 in an all-time series dating back to the 1983-84 season. The Green Knights are 18-2 all-time at home in the series.

Last Meeting:

Monmouth topped St. Norbert 70-67 in overtime on Jan. 13, 2018 at Glennie Gym in Monmouth, Ill. The Green Knights trailed 33-23 at halftime and was still down 10 with four minutes to go before rallying to force overtime. Connor Curtis led St. Norbert with 22 points, while Wade Geenen added 10 points. Will Jones led Monmouth with 14 points, while Lamar Watson added 11 points.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Gary Grzesk (UW-Green Bay, 1996) is 228-71 in his 12th 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 279-102.

Monmouth coach Todd Skrivseth (Coe, 1996) is 68-91 in his seventh season in Monmouth.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the game 15-5 overall and 10-3 in the Midwest Conference. The Green Knights, who are coming off a 76-61 loss at Ripon Wednesday, are part of a four-way tie for first place with Ripon, Monmouth and Lake Forest.

2017-2018 Results

Date	Opponent	Result
N 15	UW-Eau Claire	W 77-69
N 18	Benedictine	W 70-53
N 21	UW-Oshkosh	L 60-57
N 25	UW-Stevens Point	W 58-54
D1	Knox *	W 81-69
D 2	Illinois College *	W 75-56
D 6	at Lawrence *	W 73-59
D 9	Cornell *	W 61-51
D 19	North Central-Minn.	W 75-62
D 29	Blackburn %	W 65-52
D 30	UW-Whitewater (11) %	L 89-78
J 3	Beloit *	W 73-57
J 6	Grinnell *	W 97-85
J 12	at Illinois College *	W 73-63
J 13	at Monmouth *	L 70-67/ot
J 17	Ripon *	L 69-61
J 20	at Knox *	W 76-41
J 24	Lawrence *	W 85-52
J 27	at Cornell *	W 66-49
J 30	at Ripon *	L 76-61
F 3	Monmouth *	1 p.m.
F 7	Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
F 10	at Grinnell *	1 p.m.
F 13	at Lake Forest *	5:30 p.m.
F 17	at Beloit *	1 p.m.
* - Mid	lwest Conference game:	% - Nicolet

* - Midwest Conference game; % - Nicolet National Bank Holiday Tournament - Green Bay, Wis. **Note:** Home games in **bold** and played at Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center; (rankings) by D3hoops.com.

Senior guard D.J. DeValk tops St. Norbert in scoring at 16.3 points per game. Senior forward Mitchell Reinthaler is averaging 14.4 points and 7.5 rebounds per game. Sophomore forward Connor Curtis is averaging 12.5 points per game. Junior guard Taylor Penn is netting 7.2 points per game, while sophomore forward Joe Lemon is posting 6.3 points and 5.9 rebounds per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 71.4 points per game while shooting 45.7 percent from the floor, 36.0 percent on 3-pointers and 76.7 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 61.8 points per game while shooting 41.8 percent from the floor, 36.7 percent on 3-pointers and 72.2 percent at the free-throw line.

About the Fighting Scots:

Monmouth enters the game 13-7 overall and 10-3 in the Midwest Conference. The Fighting Scots, who have five losses this season by five points or less, are coming off a 107-92 home win over Grinnell this past Tuesday.

Senior forward Justin Aluya, who pulled down 25 rebounds in the win over Grinnell, is averaging 15.0 points and 9.2 rebounds per game. Senior guard Will Jones is averaging 14.5 points and 7.2 rebounds per game, while freshman guard D.J. Swift is netting 9.0 points per game.

Monmouth is averaging 76.7 points per game while shooting 46.5 percent from the floor, 35.5 percent on 3-pointers and 68.3 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring an average of 71.2 points per game while shooting 44.1 percent from the floor, 35.6 percent on 3-pointers and 69.9 percent at the free-throw line.

Thousand Talk:

St. Norbert senior guard D.J. DeValk scored 13 points in this past Tuesday's game against Ripon.

DeValk currently has 1,339 points to reside in 10th place all-time in St. Norbert career scoring. LeRoy Weyenberg is ninth all-time with 1,379 points from 1961-65.

DeValk, who reached 1,000 career points late in his junior season, joined Andrew Schwoerer (1,439, 2012-15), Joe Emmerich (1,811, 1980-84) and Schroeder as the only St. Norbert players to reach that mark during their junior year since 1975.

Stopper Stuff:

St. Norbert is sixth in Division III in scoring defense at 61.8 points per game through games of Jan. 30. Penn State-Behrend is the national leader at 57.7 points per game.

In Gary Grzesk's 299-game tenure at St. Norbert, the Green Knights have held their opponent to 50 points or less 47 times, going 47-0 in those games.

During Grzesk's tenure, the Green Knights are 90-1 when allowing 55 points or less, and have won their last 88 games in that scenario. The only loss came in a 55-49 loss at Lawrence on Jan. 23, 2007.

Building a Winner:

St. Norbert has won the Midwest Conference title the last five years and 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 eight years under Gary 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 217-52. 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	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	25-3	18-0	1st	Sweet 16
2016-17	19-5	16-2	1st	
2017-18	15-5	10-3		
Totals	228-71	165-38		

Grzesk vs. MWC at St. Norbert

279-102

Career

Team	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
Beloit	19-4	11-1	8-3	0-0
Carroll	18-7	12-2	6-4	0-1
Cornell	11-1	6-0	5-1	0-0
Grinnell	16-8	12-1	3-7	1-0
Illinois Coll	. 20-0	10-0	10-0	0-0
Knox	20-2	10-1	10-1	0-0
Lake Forest	18-4	9-3	9-1	0-0
Lawrence	18-7	9-3	9-4	0-0
Monmouth	17-2	9-0	8-2	0-0
Ripon	21-7	14-2	7-5	0-0
Totals	177-42	102-13	74-28	1-1

	MWC Glan	ce
Team	MWC	Overall
St. Norbert	10-3	15-5
Monmouth	10-3	13-7
Lake Forest	10-3	14-6
Ripon	10-3	13-5
Lawrence	7-6	11-8
Grinnell	6-7	11-8
Cornell	6-7	11-8
Knox	3-10	5-15
Illinois Colle	ege 2-11	7-13
Beloit	1-12	2-18

St. Norbert Quick Facts

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Nickname:Green Knights
Location:
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:
Enrollment:
President:Brian Bruess
Athletics Director:
Conference:
Facility:Mulva Family Fitness & Sports Center
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Capacity:
Year Opened:
Head Coach:
Record at St. Norbert:
Record Overall: 279-102 (15th year)
Assistant Coaches:
Brian Roehrig, Corey Ciesielczyk
Justin Zwiefelhofer, Steve Kestly, Keil Ganz
First Season of Men's Basketball:1916-17
Seasons of Men's Basketball:95
All-Time Overall Record:1,081-869
All-Time MWC Record:
MWC Championships:Nine
(1984, 2002, '10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17)
NCAA Tournament Appearances:Nine
(1958, '84, 2002, 10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16)
NAIA Tournament Appearances: Three
(1961, '62, '65)

D3hoops.com Division III Top 25 Poll #10 - Jan. 29, 2018

Place	School (1st-place)	Pts.	Record
1	Whitman (25)	625	19-0
2	Washington-Mo.	589	16-2
3	Wittenberg	574	19-0
4	St. John's	524	16-1
5	Whitworth	510	17-2
6	Middlebury	488	15-3
7	Swarthmore	463	17-2
8	MIT	415	17-2
9	Augustana	368	15-4
10	York-Pa.	351	17-2
11	Lycoming	310	18-2
12	UW-Whitewater	309	15-4
13	Williams	299	15-4
14	Illinois Wesleyan	279	16-3
15	Emory	277	15-3
16	Eastern Connecticut	269	17-2
17	Wesleyan	261	16-4
18	UW-Oshkosh	222	15-4
19	Emory and Henry	210	18-1
20	UW-Platteville	198	16-3
21	Hamilton	148	17-2
22	Marietta	106	15-4
23	Franklin & Marshall	50	16-3
24	UW-River Falls	40	13-5
25	UW-Stevens Point	29	13-6
Other	s receiving votes: Sale	m State 25, 0	Gwynedd

Others receiving votes: Salem State 25, Gwynedd Mercy 23, New Jersey City 23, John Carroll 22, Wooster 21, Nichols 16, Ohio Wesleyan 15, Hanover 14, Hobart 10, Juniata 9, Maryville-Tenn. 9, Plattsburgh State 8, Baldwin-Wallace 4, Occidental 4, Cabrini 3, TCNJ 3, Keene State 1, Rochester 1.

St. Norbert Men's Basketball Career Highs

#0 - Jalen Brooks

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

#1 - Riley Haas

Points: 13 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Rebounds: 7 (2 times, last 12/19/17 vs. North Central)

Assists: 4 (1/24/18 vs. Lawrence)

#2 - Ethan Riniker

Points: 3 (1/20/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 1 (1/24/18 vs. Lawrence) Assists: n/a

#3 - Dylan Bunders

Points: 2 (2 times, last 1/20/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 3 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Assists: 1 (2 times, last 12/1/17 vs. Knox)

#4 - Jared Davis

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

#5 - Joe Ciriacks

Points: 14 (12/2/17 vs. Illinois College) Rebounds: 4 (11/21/17 vs. UW-Oshkosh)

Assists: 4 (12/2/17 vs. Illinois College)

#10 - D.J. DeValk

Points: 30 (12/9/17 vs. Cornell) Rebounds: 7 (2 times, last 12/6/17 vs. Lawrence) Assists: 9 (2 times, last 1/25/17 vs. Lawrence)

#11 - Brennen Banks

Points: 12 (12/19/17 vs. North Central) Rebounds: 4 (1/3/18 vs. Beloit) Assists: 6 (1/6/18 vs. Grinnell)

#15 - Matt Lynch

Points: 2 (11/18/17 vs. Benedictine) Rebounds: 1 (1/3/18 vs. Beloit) Assists: n/a

#20 - Nolan Beirne

Points: 4 (1/20/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 2 (12/1/17 vs. Knox) Assists: 1 (1/20/18 vs. Knox)

#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 - Wade Geenen

Points: 16 (12/19/17 vs. North Central) Rebounds: 6 (12/19/17 vs. North Central) Assists: 5 (1/20/18 vs. Knox)

#23 - Drew Yetka

Points: 6 (2 times, last 1/6/18 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 4 (1/13/18 vs. Monmouth) Assists: 2 (12/30/17 vs. UW-Whitewater)

#24 - Mitchell Reinthaler

Points: 24 (2 times, last 12/19/17 vs. North Central) Rebounds: 13 (11/15/17 vs. UW-Eau Claire) Assists: 5 (2 times, last 12/19/17 vs. North Central)

#25 - Jordan Newman

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

#30 - Taylor Penn

Points: 20 (12/5/15 vs. Grinnell) Rebounds: 7 (1/13/18 vs. Monmouth) Assists: 6 (1/27/18 vs. Cornell)

#32 - Brian Luteyn

Points: 18 (12/1/17 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 8 (1/30/18 vs. Ripon) Assists: 4 (12/2/16 vs. Knox)

#35 - Jared Murphy

Points: 10 (1/20/18 vs. Knox) Rebounds: 3 (2 times, last 1/20/18 vs. Knox) Assists: 1 (2 times, last 1/24/18 vs. Lawrence)

#41 - Connor Curtis

Points: 22 (1/13/18 vs. Monmouth) Rebounds: 9 (2 times, last 1/17/17 vs. Ripon) Assists: 2 (7 times, last 1/20/18 vs. Knox)

#52 - Joe Lemon

Points: 17 (12/19/17 vs. North Central) Rebounds: 15 (12/29/17 vs. Blackburn) Assists: 5 (1/24/18 vs. Lawrence)



St. Norbert College Men's Basketball St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Jan 30, 2018) All games



Overall record: 15-5 Conf: 10-3 Home: 11-3 Away: 4-2 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	19-19	620	32.6	110-238	.462	41-102	.402	48-53	.906	1	55	56	2.9	40	0	69	34	15	24	309	16.3
24	Mitchell Reinthaler	20-20	635	31.8	107-218	.491	17-48	.354	56-72	.778	38	111	149	7.5	51	0	35	32	20	18	287	14.4
30	Taylor Penn	20-20	533	26.7	52-116	.448	27-56	.482	12-20	.600	13	30	43	2.2	28	0	36	23	0	5	143	7.2
41	Connor Curtis	11-9	243	22.1	49-78	.628	7-14	.500	32-39	.821	20	34	54	4.9	33	1	8	18	4	9	137	12.5
52	Joe Lemon	20-15	459	23.0	46-109	.422	3-33	.091	31-38	.816	29	89	118	5.9	35	0	27	25	22	13	126	6.3
22	Wade Geenen	20-6	448	22.4	35-91	.385	26-61	.426	21-28	.750	5	43	48	2.4	22	0	41	15	1	11	117	5.9
32	Brian Luteyn	20-0	218	10.9	33-50	.660	0-0	.000	21-30	.700	22	23	45	2.3	24	0	7	26	5	10	87	4.4
05	Joe Ciriacks	17-11	248	14.6	20-57	.351	14-39	.359	10-14	.714	9	15	24	1.4	26	0	14	11	2	8	64	3.8
11	Brennen Banks	12-0	145	12.1	19-47	.404	5-24	.208	4-11	.364	3	9	12	1.0	14	0	15	8	0	4	47	3.9
35	Jared Murphy	9-0	53	5.9	12-24	.500	5-12	.417	4-6	.667	6	4	10	1.1	9	0	3	4	0	2	33	3.7
23	Drew Yetka	9-0	93	10.3	10-29	.345	4-17	.235	6-8	.750	3	9	12	1.3	8	0	5	6	0	2	30	3.3
01	Riley Haas	19-0	212	11.2	10-32	.313	4-13	.308	3-5	.600	13	26	39	2.1	15	0	20	12	0	18	27	1.4
21	Brett O'Sullivan	7-0	26	3.7	1-3	.333	0-1	.000	4-4	1.000	2	0	2	0.3	2	0	0	1	0	3	6	0.9
20	Nolan Beirne	7-0	16	2.3	3-5	.600	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	4	2	6	0.9	4	0	1	0	0	0	6	0.9
03	Dylan Bunders	9-0	42	4.7	2-7	.286	0-1	.000	1-2	.500	2	4	6	0.7	8	0	2	3	0	2	5	0.6
02	Ethan Riniker	5-0	8	1.6	1-3	.333	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.2	2	0	0	0	0	1	3	0.6
15	Matt Lynch	5-0	7	1.4	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.4
25	Jordan Newman	7-0	12	1.7	0-3	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	0.1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0.0
00	Jalen Brooks	3-0	5	1.7	0-5	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0.0
04	Jared Davis	2-0	2	1.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
	Team										40	40	80					15				
	Total	20	4025		511-1117	.457	154-428	.360	253-330	.767	211	496	707	35.3	322	1	286	235	69	131	1429	71.4
	Opponents	20	4025		424-1014	.418	167-455	.367	221-306	.722	138	434	572	28.6	339	7	213	286	48	110	1236	61.8

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP
SCORING	1429	1236
Points per game	71.4	61.8
Scoring margin	+9.7	-
FIELD GOALS-ATT	511-1117	424-1014
Field goal pct	.457	.418
3 POINT FG-ATT	154-428	167-455
3-point FG pct	.360	.367
3-pt FG made per game	7.7	8.4
FREE THROWS-ATT	253-330	221-306
Free throw pct	.767	.722
F-Throws made per game	12.7	11.1
REBOUNDS . J	707	572
Rebounds per game	35.3	28.6
Rebounding margin	+6.8	-
ASSISTS	286	213
Assists per game	14.3	10.7
TURNOVERŠ	235	286
Turnovers per game	11.8	14.3
Turnover margin	+2.6	-
Assist/turnover ratio	1.2	0.7
STEALS	131	110
Steals per game	6.6	5.5
BLOCKS	69	48
Blocks per game	3.5	2.4
ATTENDANČE	10168	2384
Home games-Avg/Game	14-726	6-397
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0

Score by Periods	1st	2nd	OT	Totals
St. Norbert College	667	753	9	1429
Opponents	576	648	12	1236

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	11/15/17	UW-EAU CLAIRE	W	77-69	1027
	11/18/17	BENEDICTINE UNIV.	W	70-53	898
	11/21/17	UW-OSHKOSH	L	57-60	822
	11/25/17	UW-STEVENS POINT	W	58-54	920
*	12/1/17	KNOX COLLEGE	W	81-69	452
*	12/2/17	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	W	75-56	460
*	12/6/17	at Lawrence Univ.	W	73-59	672
*	12/9/17	CORNELL COLLEGE	W	61-51	610
	12/19/17	NORTH CENTRAL (MN)	W	75-62	374
#	12/29/17	BLACKBURN COLLEGE	W	65-52	767
#	12/30/17	UW-WHITEWATER	L	78-89	682
*	1/3/18	BELOIT COLLEGE	W	73-57	440
*	1/6/18	GRINNELL COLLEGE	W	97-85	1127
*	1/12/18	at Illinois College	W	73-63	150
*	1/13/18	at Monmouth College	Lot	67-70	175
*	1/17/18	RIPON COLLEGE	L	61-69	781
*	1/20/18	at Knox College	W	76-41	150
*	1/24/18	LAWRENCE UNIV.	W	85-52	808
*	1/27/18	at Cornell College	W	66-49	550
*	1/30/18	at Ripon College	L	61-76	687

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