



St. Norbert College

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Women's Basketball Preview

St. Norbert College (7-3, 4-0 MWC) at Carroll College (8-2, 2-1 MWC)

Tuesday, January 15, 2008 - 5:30 p.m.
Van Male Fieldhouse (1,200) - Waukesha, Wisconsin

Game Overview:

St. Norbert looks to remain in first place in the Midwest Conference race when it faces Carroll. The Green Knights lead the Pioneers by a game in the loss column in the MWC standings.

The Series:

St. Norbert leads Carroll 19-17 in a series begun in the 1982-83 season. Carroll has won the last six games in the series, but St. Norbert had won the previous three contests.

Last Meeting:

Carroll beat St. Norbert 70-61 in a Midwest Conference Tournament semifinal game on Feb. 23, 2007 in Lake Forest, Ill. The Pioneers jumped out to a 32-17 lead at halftime, and led 25-4 in the early going. Crystal Hoewisch had 38 points to lead the Pioneers, while Denise Heuser led St. Norbert with 14 points.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Connie Tilley (UW-La Crosse, 1974) is 473-244 in her 31st season in De Pere. Combining her softball and volleyball coaching tenures with the Green Knights, Tilley is 803-442 at St. Norbert.

Carroll coach Kris Jacobsen (UW-Platteville, 1989) is 138-90 in her tenth season in Waukesha.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters the Carroll game at 7-3 overall and in first place in the Midwest Conference at 4-0. The Green Knights held off Beloit this past Saturday to post a tense 55-54 win at Schuldes Sports Center. St. Norbert stopped the Buccaneers on the game's final possession to hold on to the win.

Junior guard Morgan Strasser leads St. Norbert in scoring at 13.7 points per game, while junior forward Courtney Biese is netting 9.1 points per contest while snaring a team-high 5.7 rebounds per game. Freshman forward Rachel Hermus is shooting a team-high 52.9 percent from the floor while scoring 8.6 points per game.

St. Norbert is averaging 62.6 points per game. St. Norbert is shooting 42.0

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2007-2008 Results

| Date | Opponent | Result |
|----------|----------------------------------|------------|
| N 1 | at Wisconsin (exh) | L 96-29 |
| N 16 | %Edgewood | W 59-44 |
| N 17 | %Concordia-Wis. | W 81-64 |
| N 20 | UW-Eau Claire | L 61-57 |
| N 30 | *at Grinnell | W 74-68/OT |
| D 1 | *at Knox | W 63-35 |
| D 5 | *at Ripon | W 60-48 |
| D 15 | UW-Oshkosh | W 62-40 |
| J 3 | ^vs. Amherst | L 65-62 |
| J 5 | ^vs. Medaille (21) | L 67-53 |
| J 12 | *Beloit | W 55-54 |
| J 15 | *at Carroll | 5:30 p.m. |
| J 18 | *Illinois College | 5 p.m. |
| J 19 | *Lake Forest | 2 p.m. |
| J 22 | Finlandia | 6 p.m. |
| J 25 | *at Monmouth | 5 p.m. |
| J 26 | *at Illinois College | 1 p.m. |
| J 30 | *Lawrence | 5:30 p.m. |
| F 5 | *Ripon | 6 p.m. |
| F 8 | *Knox | 5 p.m. |
| F 9 | *Grinnell | 2 p.m. |
| F 13 | *at Beloit | 7 p.m. |
| F 16 | *Carroll | 2 p.m. |
| F 20 | *at Lawrence | 5:30 p.m. |
| F 29-M 1 | at Midwest Conference Tournament | |

* - Midwest Conference game; % - Associated Financial Group Tip-Off Tournament, De Pere, Wis.; ^ - Florida Sunshine Shootout, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. **Note:** Home games in **bold**; (rankings) by D3hoops.com. All times Central Standard Time.

percent from the floor, 26.0 percent on 3-pointers and 64.4 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents have been held to 54.6 points per game. Foes are shooting 37.6 percent from the floor with 27.1 percent accuracy on 3-pointers and 69.1 percent on free throws.

About the Pioneers:

Carroll enters Tuesday's game with an 8-2 overall record and a 2-1 mark in the Midwest Conference. The Pioneers have been idle since Dec. 29, when they lost to UW-Stevens Point 84-60. Carroll's other loss this season came at Beloit on Dec. 5, dropping a 78-72 decision to the Buccaneers.

Senior All-American guard Crystal Hoewisch paces the Pioneers. Hoewisch is scoring an average of 20.8 points per game to lead the Midwest Conference. She is shooting 55.7 percent from the floor and is 60-for-75 (80 percent) at the free-throw line. Senior forward Kim Wickert is scoring 13.6 points and 7.3 rebounds per game, while Leah Lemke is averaging 8.3 points per game.

Carroll is averaging 68.4 points per game while shooting 43.5 percent from the floor, 28.2 percent on 3-pointers and 78.1 percent at the free-throw line - which rates sixth in Division III. Opponents are scoring 61.9 points per game while shooting 42.5 percent from the floor, 26.8 percent on 3-pointers and 67.4 percent at the free-throw line.

Milestone Achieved:

St. Norbert earned its 500th win in the history of the women's basketball program with a 55-54 win over Beloit on Jan. 12.

The Green Knights are currently 500-261 in their 34th year of existence, a winning percentage of .657. Prior to Connie Tilley's arrival in 1977, St. Norbert was 27-19 in the first three years of the program.

St. Norbert is just the second Wisconsin Division III school to record 500 wins after UW-Oshkosh, which entered the year with 504 wins. The Green Knights are also the first Midwest Conference school

to reach 500 wins in women's basketball.

Getting Defensive:

St. Norbert leads the Midwest Conference in scoring defense at 54.7 points per game.

The Green Knights have held three of their opponents to 44 points or less this season. St. Norbert held Edgewood to 44 points on Nov. 16, Knox to 35 on Dec. 1 and UW-Oshkosh to 40 on Dec. 15.

St. Norbert has finished in the top two in the conference in scoring defense four times in the past five years. The Green Knights were second in the league in scoring defense in 2003 and 2007, and led the conference in the category in 2005 and 2006.

St. Norbert has outshot its first eight of its 10 opponents from the floor this season. The Green Knights best defensive effort this season came when it held Knox to a 9-for-43 effort from the floor, just 20.9 percent.

Jump Shots:

* - St. Norbert's run of nine straight years with at least 10 conference wins is the longest in the Midwest Conference.

* - St. Norbert has not made more than four 3-pointers in any game this season. It has made four 3s on four different occasions. The Green Knights were 2-for-15 on 3-pointers against Beloit.

* - Denise Heuser's 13 points against Beloit were a team-high in the game. It also matched her season high of 13 points against Amherst on Jan. 3.

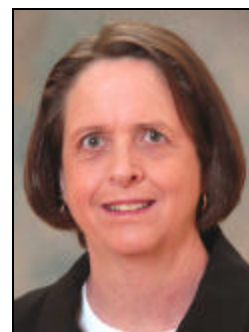
* - Linsey Propson had seven assists in the win over Beloit on Jan. 12. That total is a season-high for Propson, and is the most by a St. Norbert player this season.

* - St. Norbert is 2-2 when trailing at halftime this season. The Green Knights beat Edgewood on Nov. 16 and Grinnell on Nov. 30 when trailing at intermission.

Head Coach Connie Tilley

Education: Bachelor's degree in physical education at UW-La Crosse (1974); master's degree in public health administration at UW-La Crosse (1976).

Coaching Experience: Head women's basketball coach at St. Norbert (1977 to present).



Tilley's Head Coaching Record

| Year | Overall | MWC | Place | NCAA |
|---------------|----------------|---------------|-------|------------|
| 1977-78 | 13-5 | 6-2* | 2nd | |
| 1978-79 | 16-4 | 12-0* | 1st | |
| 1979-80 | 18-5 | 10-0* | 1st | |
| 1980-81 | 22-8 | 9-1* | 1st | |
| 1981-82 | 15-9 | 11-1* | 2nd | |
| 1982-83 | 20-6 | 11-0* | 1st | Regional |
| 1983-84 | 17-6 | 10-1 | 1st | |
| 1984-85 | 24-4 | 11-0 | 1st | Final Four |
| 1985-86 | 21-2 | 11-0 | 1st | Sweet 16 |
| 1986-87 | 19-6 | 11-1 | 1st | Sweet 16 |
| 1987-88 | 17-5 | 5-2 | 1st | Sweet 16 |
| 1988-89 | 20-6 | 10-0 | 1st | Regional |
| 1989-90 | 11-11 | 4-4 | 7th | |
| 1990-91 | 16-8 | 6-2 | 4th | |
| 1991-92 | 11-10 | 3-5 | 8th | |
| 1992-93 | 11-10 | 8-5 | 7th | |
| 1993-94 | 11-11 | 7-7 | 6th | |
| 1994-95 | 8-14 | 5-9 | 6th | |
| 1995-96 | 8-14 | 6-8 | 7th | |
| 1996-97 | 14-10 | 11-3 | 3rd | |
| 1997-98 | 13-9 | 7-6 | 5th | |
| 1998-99 | 11-12 | 10-6 | 3rd | |
| 1999-2000 | 17-6 | 15-1 | 3rd | |
| 2000-01 | 12-11 | 10-6 | 3rd | |
| 2001-02 | 13-10 | 10-6 | 5th | |
| 2002-03 | 23-5 | 15-1 | 1st | Sweet 16 |
| 2003-04 | 16-9 | 13-3 | 2nd | |
| 2004-05 | 16-9 | 13-3 | 2nd | |
| 2005-06 | 17-8 | 13-3 | 2nd | |
| 2006-07 | 16-8 | 12-4 | 3rd | |
| 2007-08 | 7-3 | 4-0 | | |
| Totals | 473-244 | 289-90 | | |

* - St. Norbert was in the Wisconsin Independent Colleges-Women's Athletic Conference until 1983.

MWC Standings

| Team | MWC | Overall |
|------------------|-----|---------|
| St. Norbert | 4-0 | 7-3 |
| Lake Forest | 4-0 | 10-1 |
| Illinois College | 3-1 | 7-4 |
| Carroll | 2-1 | 8-2 |
| Beloit | 2-2 | 5-5 |
| Monmouth | 2-3 | 6-6 |
| Knox | 1-2 | 3-7 |
| Ripon | 1-3 | 4-7 |
| Lawrence | 0-3 | 3-7 |
| Grinnell | 0-4 | 2-9 |

St. Norbert College Women's Basketball
St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Jan 13, 2008)
All games

| | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| RECORD: | OVERALL | HOME | AWAY | NEUTRAL |
| ALL GAMES..... | (7-3) | (4-1) | (3-0) | (0-2) |
| CONFERENCE..... | (4-0) | (1-0) | (3-0) | (0-0) |
| NON-CONFERENCE..... | (3-3) | (3-1) | (0-0) | (0-2) |

| ## | Player | GP-GS | Min--Avg | | ---TOTAL--- | | ---3-PTS--- | | ---REBOUNDS--- | | | | PF FO | | A TO Blk Stl Pts Avg | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|---------------------|-------|----------|------|-------------|-------|-------------|------|----------------|-------|-----|-----|-------|------|----------------------|---|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|------|--|
| | | | | | FG-FGA | Pct | 3FG-FGA | Pct | FT-FTA | Pct | Off | Def | | | | | | | | | Tot | Avg | |
| 33 | Morgan Strasser.... | 10-10 | 284 | 28.4 | 52-124 | .419 | 6-22 | .273 | 27-33 | .818 | 10 | 38 | 48 | 4.8 | 20 | 0 | 23 | 32 | 5 | 24 | 137 | 13.7 | |
| 42 | Cortney Biese..... | 10-10 | 249 | 24.9 | 39-78 | .500 | 0-0 | .000 | 13-24 | .542 | 22 | 35 | 57 | 5.7 | 31 | 0 | 10 | 22 | 5 | 15 | 91 | 9.1 | |
| 12 | Rachel Hermus..... | 10-10 | 266 | 26.6 | 37-70 | .529 | 2-4 | .500 | 10-17 | .588 | 16 | 27 | 43 | 4.3 | 21 | 0 | 6 | 27 | 5 | 9 | 86 | 8.6 | |
| 24 | Linsey Propson..... | 10-10 | 266 | 26.6 | 22-58 | .379 | 9-34 | .265 | 21-27 | .778 | 2 | 12 | 14 | 1.4 | 27 | 0 | 28 | 28 | 1 | 27 | 74 | 7.4 | |
| 22 | Denise Heuser..... | 10-3 | 192 | 19.2 | 20-66 | .303 | 7-32 | .219 | 12-17 | .706 | 5 | 16 | 21 | 2.1 | 9 | 0 | 10 | 21 | 2 | 11 | 59 | 5.9 | |
| 13 | Stefanie Bunday.... | 7-7 | 182 | 26.0 | 19-42 | .452 | 2-10 | .200 | 6-14 | .429 | 6 | 23 | 29 | 4.1 | 18 | 1 | 17 | 17 | 2 | 8 | 46 | 6.6 | |
| 44 | Victoria Le Fevre.. | 10-0 | 130 | 13.0 | 15-37 | .405 | 0-0 | .000 | 7-10 | .700 | 13 | 14 | 27 | 2.7 | 11 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 37 | 3.7 | |
| 30 | Kristin Zimmerman.. | 10-0 | 203 | 20.3 | 11-36 | .306 | 5-15 | .333 | 6-7 | .857 | 11 | 19 | 30 | 3.0 | 11 | 0 | 8 | 13 | 1 | 11 | 33 | 3.3 | |
| 25 | Emily Otzelberger.. | 10-0 | 112 | 11.2 | 12-28 | .429 | 0-0 | .000 | 1-13 | .077 | 16 | 15 | 31 | 3.1 | 14 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 25 | 2.5 | |
| 21 | Bri Hauge..... | 9-0 | 75 | 8.3 | 9-23 | .391 | 1-6 | .167 | 4-7 | .571 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 1.1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 2.6 | |
| 10 | Becky Melis..... | 5-0 | 34 | 6.8 | 2-4 | .500 | 0-0 | .000 | 4-4 | 1.000 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0.4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 1.6 | |
| 23 | Amy Brunner..... | 6-0 | 25 | 4.2 | 1-5 | .200 | 0-0 | .000 | 3-4 | .750 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 1.2 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 0.8 | |
| 32 | Katie Spadoni..... | 3-0 | 7 | 2.3 | 1-1 | 1.000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0.7 | |
| TEAM..... | | | | | | | | | | | 17 | 25 | 42 | 4.2 | 0 | | | | | | | | |
| Total..... | | 10 | 2025 | | 240-572 | .420 | 32-123 | .260 | 114-177 | .644 | 125 | 236 | 361 | 36.1 | 173 | 1 | 110 | 191 | 29 | 117 | 626 | 62.6 | |
| Opponents..... | | 10 | 2025 | | 189-503 | .376 | 36-133 | .271 | 132-191 | .691 | 109 | 243 | 352 | 35.2 | 163 | 3 | 107 | 236 | 24 | 100 | 546 | 54.6 | |

| TEAM STATISTICS | SNC | OPP | DATE | OPPONENT | W/L | SCORE | ATTEND |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|---|---------------------|------|-------|--------|
| SCORING..... | 626 | 546 | #11/16/07 | EDGEWOOD COLLEGE | W | 59-44 | 342 |
| Points per game..... | 62.6 | 54.6 | #11/17/07 | CONCORDIA-WIS. | W | 81-64 | 308 |
| Scoring margin..... | +8.0 | - | 11/20/07 | UW-EAU CLAIRE | L | 57-61 | 277 |
| FIELD GOALS-ATT..... | 240-572 | 189-503 | *11/30/07 | at Grinnell College | W OT | 74-68 | 100 |
| Field goal pct..... | .420 | .376 | *12/1/07 | at Knox College | W | 63-35 | 100 |
| 3 POINT FG-ATT..... | 32-123 | 36-133 | *12/5/07 | at Ripon College | W | 60-48 | 200 |
| 3-point FG pct..... | .260 | .271 | 12/15/07 | UW-OSHKOSH | W | 62-40 | 470 |
| 3-pt FG made per game.. | 3.2 | 3.6 | \$1/3/08 | vs Amherst College | L | 62-65 | 100 |
| FREE THROWS-ATT..... | 114-177 | 132-191 | \$1/5/08 | vs Medaille College | L | 53-67 | 100 |
| Free throw pct..... | .644 | .691 | *1/12/08 | BELOIT COLLEGE | W | 55-54 | 158 |
| REBOUNDS..... | 361 | 352 | * - Midwest Conference game | | | | |
| Rebounds per game..... | 36.1 | 35.2 | # - Associated Financial Group Tip-Off Tournament (De Pere, Wis.) | | | | |
| Rebounding margin..... | +0.9 | - | \$ - Florida Sunshine Shootout (Davie, Fla.) | | | | |
| ASSISTS..... | 110 | 107 | | | | | |
| Assists per game..... | 11.0 | 10.7 | | | | | |
| TURNOVERS..... | 191 | 236 | | | | | |
| Turnovers per game..... | 19.1 | 23.6 | | | | | |
| Turnover margin..... | +4.5 | - | | | | | |
| Assist/turnover ratio.. | 0.6 | 0.5 | | | | | |
| STEALS..... | 117 | 100 | | | | | |
| Steals per game..... | 11.7 | 10.0 | | | | | |
| BLOCKS..... | 29 | 24 | | | | | |
| Blocks per game..... | 2.9 | 2.4 | | | | | |
| WINNING STREAK..... | 1 | - | | | | | |
| Home win streak..... | 2 | - | | | | | |
| ATTENDANCE..... | 1555 | 600 | | | | | |
| Home games-Avg/Game.... | 5-311 | 3-133 | | | | | |
| Neutral site-Avg/Game.. | - | 2-100 | | | | | |

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|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| SCORE BY PERIODS: | 1st | 2nd | OT | Total |
| ----- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| St. Norbert College..... | 289 | 326 | 11 | - 626 |
| Opponents..... | 252 | 289 | 5 | - 546 |