



St. Norbert College

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Women's Basketball Preview Ripon College (4-13, 1-9) at St. Norbert College (13-4, 9-1) Tuesday, February 5, 2008 - 6 p.m. Schuldes Sports Center (2,100) - De Pere, Wisconsin

Game Overview:

St. Norbert continues a four-game homestand when it Ripon in a Midwest Conference game. The Green Knights lead Beloit, Lake Forest and Carroll by one game in the league standings.

Broadcast:

The live game video and audio will be available for a fee at www.midwestconference.tv. Live in-game statistics will also be available on the St. Norbert Web site at www.snc.edu/athletics.

The Series:

St. Norbert leads Ripon 45-24 in a series begun in the 1975-76 season. The Red Hawks have won 10 of the last 17 games in the series, but St. Norbert has won the last five meetings. The Green Knights swept the season series the last two seasons, and won 60-48 earlier this season on Dec. 5 in Ripon.

Last Meeting:

St. Norbert beat Ripon 60-48 on Dec. 5 at the Storzer Center in Ripon. The Green Knights led by as many as 21 points midway through the second half. Morgan Strasser and Cortney Biese each had 13 points for St. Norbert, while Jessica DeHamer had 13 points for Ripon.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Connie Tilley (UW-La Crosse, 1974) is 479-245 in her 31st season in De Pere. Combining her softball and volleyball coaching tenures with the Green Knights, Tilley is 809-443 at St. Norbert.

Ripon coach Julie Johnson (Dakota State, 1988) is 234-180 in her 18th season in Ripon.

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert enters Tuesday's game against Ripon at 13-4 overall and 9-1 in the Midwest Conference. The Green Knights lead Beloit, Lake Forest and Carroll by one game in the league standings. St. Norbert has been off since this past Wednesday, when it snuck past Lawrence 48-45 at Schuldes Sports Center. The Green Knights have won six consecutive home games and are 8-1 at Schuldes Sports Center this season.

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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	W 71-55
J 18	*Illinois College	W 68-51
J 19	*Lake Forest (19)	W 84-82
J 22	Finlandia	W 66-51
J 25	*at Monmouth	L 70-59
J 26	*at Illinois College	W 53-37
J 30	*Lawrence	W 48-45
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.

The Green Knights are led in scoring by junior guard Morgan Strasser. Strasser is the only St. Norbert player scoring in double figures, averaging 12.8 points per game. Sophomore guard Denise Heuser is averaging 8.2 points per game, while senior guard Linsey Propson is scoring 8.1 points per game. The trio combined to score 33 of St. Norbert's 48 points against Lawrence.

St. Norbert is averaging 63.4 points per game. The Green Knights are shooting 41.8 percent from the floor, 26.0 percent on 3-pointers and 67.8 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents have been held to 55.4 points per game. Foes are shooting 36.8 percent from the floor including 26.8 percent on 3-pointers and 70.2 percent on free throws.

About the Red Hawks:

Ripon enters the game with a 4-13 overall record and a 1-9 showing in the Midwest Conference. The Red Hawks have lost six consecutive games, including a 61-43 defeat at home at the hands of Beloit this past Saturday. Ripon's last win came on Jan. 12 in a 54-52 triumph at Lawrence.

The Red Hawks do not have a player scoring in double figures this season. Junior forward Jeni Yaeger leads the squad with 8.8 points per game, and also grabs 5.8 rebounds per game. Sophomore forward Jessica DeHamer averages 8.4 points per game and has a team-high 5.9 rebounds per game. Freshman guard Emily Meyer is third on the team in scoring at 6.7 points per game.

Ripon is averaging just 51.2 points per game this season, and has been held under 50 points eight times this season. The Red Hawks are shooting 34.5 percent from the floor, 20.9 percent on 3-pointers and 61.2 percent at the free-throw line. Opponents are scoring 59.1 points per game while shooting 41.8 percent from the floor, 25.8 percent on 3-pointers and 66.6 percent at the free-throw line.

Lock Them Up:

St. Norbert's defense has been the strength of the team - and a necessity - as the Green Knights have ascended to the top of the Midwest Conference standings.

The Green Knights are allowing just 55.4 points per game, which is the second-best defensive mark in the Midwest Conference.

St. Norbert needed its "D" in last Wednesday's win against Lawrence. The Green Knights shot just 30 percent from the floor but managed to pull out a 48-45 win over the Vikings.

The Green Knights had three wins by one possession or less at home since Christmas, also beating Beloit 55-54 on Jan. 12 and Lake Forest 84-82 on Jan. 19. St. Norbert got defensive stops on the last possession of all three games to earn the wins.

Toppling the Top 25:

St. Norbert picked up its first win in nearly five years against a team ranked in the D3hoops.com Top 25 when it beat Lake Forest on Jan. 19.

The Foresters were ranked 19th in that week's poll, and fell 84-82 to the Green Knights in De Pere.

St. Norbert had not beaten a team ranked by D3hoops.com since beating No. 6 Carleton 60-47 on March 8, 2003 in a second-round NCAA Division III Tournament game.

The Green Knights have played five teams who have been ranked at some point this season. Carroll, Lake Forest, UW-Eau Claire, Medaille and Amherst have all cracked the Top 25 at one time or another this season.

Jump Shots:

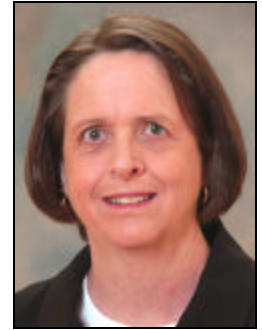
* - St. Norbert's run of nine straight years with at least 10 conference wins is the longest in the Midwest Conference.

* - St. Norbert is leading the Midwest Conference in field-goal percentage at 43.1 percent. The Green Knights are also leading the Midwest Conference in field-goal percentage defense at 36.8 percent.

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	13-4	9-1		
Totals	479-245	294-91		

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

MWC Standings

Team	MWC	Overall
St. Norbert	9-1	13-4
Beloit	8-2	12-5
Lake Forest	8-2	14-3
Carroll	8-2	14-3
Grinnell	5-5	7-10
Monmouth	5-5	9-8
Illinois College	4-6	8-9
Knox	1-9	3-14
Lawrence	1-9	4-13
Ripon	1-9	4-13

St. Norbert College Women's Basketball
 St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Feb 04, 2008)
 All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(13-4)	(8-1)	(5-1)	(0-2)
CONFERENCE.....	(9-1)	(4-0)	(5-1)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(4-3)	(4-1)	(0-0)	(0-2)

## Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---			---3-PTS---		----REBOUNDS----													
			FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct	FT-FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg	
33 Morgan Strasser....	17-17	477	28.1	81-199	.407	8-29	.276	47-65	.723	14	53	67	3.9	31	0	38	57	8	41	217	12.8
22 Denise Heuser.....	17-10	399	23.5	49-137	.358	12-63	.190	29-37	.784	11	34	45	2.6	20	0	23	37	4	18	139	8.2
24 Linsey Propson.....	17-17	440	25.9	40-104	.385	16-57	.281	41-50	.820	3	24	27	1.6	48	0	42	53	5	36	137	8.1
12 Rachel Hermus.....	16-15	371	23.2	49-101	.485	2-4	.500	14-21	.667	20	45	65	4.1	35	0	9	35	6	16	114	7.1
42 Cortney Biese.....	17-17	358	21.1	46-97	.474	0-0	.000	19-34	.559	31	47	78	4.6	47	1	14	41	9	24	111	6.5
44 Victoria Le Fevre..	17-0	269	15.8	32-65	.492	0-0	.000	15-20	.750	17	25	42	2.5	19	0	6	17	5	4	79	4.6
13 Stefanie Bunday....	11-7	260	23.6	25-60	.417	3-13	.231	17-30	.567	7	34	41	3.7	23	1	24	21	2	14	70	6.4
25 Emily Otzelberger..	17-2	237	13.9	28-63	.444	0-0	.000	8-34	.235	29	33	62	3.6	24	0	7	16	14	12	64	3.8
21 Bri Hauge.....	15-0	161	10.7	22-51	.431	5-15	.333	11-14	.786	10	14	24	1.6	14	0	2	7	1	3	60	4.0
30 Kristin Zimmerman..	16-0	303	18.9	15-51	.294	6-19	.316	10-11	.909	17	30	47	2.9	26	0	11	16	1	14	46	2.9
23 Amy Brunner.....	13-0	86	6.6	8-18	.444	0-0	.000	12-15	.800	10	20	30	2.3	9	0	0	9	4	5	28	2.2
10 Becky Melis.....	8-0	51	6.4	3-7	.429	0-0	.000	4-4	1.000	2	3	5	0.6	1	0	2	6	0	3	10	1.3
32 Katie Spadoni.....	6-0	13	2.2	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0.3
TEAM.....										28	42	70	4.1	0			8				
Total.....	17	3425		399-955	.418	52-200	.260	227-335	.678	199	404	603	35.5	297	2	178	324	59	191	1077	63.4
Opponents.....	17	3425		327-889	.368	59-220	.268	228-325	.702	207	408	615	36.2	300	8	162	396	43	163	941	55.4

TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	1077	941	#11/16/07	EDGEWOOD COLLEGE	W	59-44	342
Points per game.....	63.4	55.4	#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.....	399-955	327-889	*11/30/07	at Grinnell College	W OT	74-68	100
Field goal pct.....	.418	.368	*12/1/07	at Knox College	W	63-35	100
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	52-200	59-220	*12/5/07	at Ripon College	W	60-48	200
3-point FG pct.....	.260	.268	12/15/07	UW-OSHKOSH	W	62-40	470
3-pt FG made per game..	3.1	3.5	\$1/3/08	vs Amherst College	L	62-65	100
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	227-335	228-325	\$1/5/08	vs Medaille College	L	53-67	100
Free throw pct.....	.678	.702	*1/12/08	BELOIT COLLEGE	W	55-54	158
REBOUNDS.....	603	615	*1/15/08	at Carroll College	W	73-59	312
Rebounds per game.....	35.5	36.2	*1/18/08	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	W	68-51	141
Rebounding margin.....	-0.7	-	*1/19/08	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	W	84-82	477
ASSISTS.....	178	162	1/22/08	FINLANDIA UNIV.	W	66-51	105
Assists per game.....	10.5	9.5	*1/25/08	at Monmouth College	L	59-70	225
TURNOVERS.....	324	396	*1/26/08	at Illinois College	W	53-37	160
Turnovers per game.....	19.1	23.3	*1/30/08	LAWRENCE UNIV.	W	48-45	318
Turnover margin.....	+4.2	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	0.5	0.4					
STEALS.....	191	163					
Steals per game.....	11.2	9.6					
BLOCKS.....	59	43					
Blocks per game.....	3.5	2.5					
WINNING STREAK.....	2	-					
Home win streak.....	6	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	2596	1297					
Home games-Avg/Game....	9-288	6-183					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	2-100					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	Total
St. Norbert College.....	507	559	11	- 1077
Opponents.....	412	524	5	- 941