



St. Norbert College

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St. Norbert College Green Knights Football Preview

Illinois College (4-5, 4-4 MWC) at St. Norbert College (6-3, 6-2 MWC)

Saturday, November 8, 2008 - 1 p.m.

Dr. John R. Minahan Stadium (3,100) - De Pere, Wisconsin

2008 Midwest Conference Standings

Team	Conference		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Monmouth	8	0	9	0
Ripon	7	1	7	2
St. Norbert	6	2	6	3
Carroll	5	3	6	3
Illinois College	4	4	4	5
Beloit	3	5	4	5
Lake Forest	3	5	3	6
Grinnell	2	6	3	6
Knox	2	6	3	6
Lawrence	0	8	0	8

Games on Saturday, Nov. 1

St. Norbert 42, Beloit 21
 Monmouth 78, Illinois College 17
 Knox 38, Lake Forest 27
 Ripon 50, Grinnell 7
 Carroll 34, Lawrence 14

Games on Saturday, Nov. 8

Illinois College at St. Norbert, 1 p.m.
 Beloit at Grinnell, 1 p.m.
 Carroll at Lake Forest, 1 p.m.
 Knox at Monmouth, 1 p.m.
 Ripon at Lawrence, 1 p.m.

Game Overview:

St. Norbert will play its final game of the 2008 season when it hosts Illinois College. Admission will be free for the game at Minahan Stadium.

The Series:

St. Norbert holds a 15-1 series lead over Illinois College. The Green Knights won the first nine meetings in the series before the Blueboys won 41-40 on Nov. 10, 2001 at Jacksonville, Ill. St. Norbert has won the last six meetings and is 8-0 all-time in the series at Minahan Stadium.

The Coaches:

St. Norbert coach Jim Purtill (Miami-Ohio, 1978) is 90-16 in his tenth season in De Pere.

Illinois College coach Garrett Campbell (CSU-Fullerton, 1998) is 4-5 in his first season in Jacksonville.

Last Meeting:

St. Norbert trailed 17-10 at halftime before rallying to beat Illinois College 31-24 at England Field in Jacksonville, Ill. Illinois College led 14-0 after the first quarter before the Green Knights rallied.

A.J. Phillips put up 400 all-purpose yards, including 157 yards rushing on 30 carries and one touchdown. Cody Craig completed 16 of 33 passes for 242 yards.

Joe Reed completed 23 of 48 passes for 363 yards and two touchdowns as the Blueboys put up 430 yards of total offense.

2008 St. Norbert Football Schedule and Results (6-3, 6-2 MWC)

Date	Opponent	Site	Time/Result	Quick Fact
Sept. 6	Wartburg	Waverly, Iowa	L 44-20	Wuensch returns fumble school-record 95 yards for TD
Sept. 13	Grinnell	De Pere	W 55-7	SNC holds Grinnell to minus-11 yards rushing
Sept. 20	Lawrence	Appleton	W 44-18	James scores SNC's first defensive XP since 1997
Sept. 27	Lake Forest	De Pere	W 62-0	LFC held to 12 yards, 2nd-lowest total ever allowed by SNC
Oct. 4	Knox	Galesburg, Ill.	W 63-24	First time ever SNC has scored 60-plus pts. in consecutive games
Oct. 11	Monmouth	De Pere	L 31-22	First October loss ever for Jim Purtill, snaps 40-game streak
Oct. 18	Carroll (HC)	De Pere	W 20-17	Stoppenbach's 6-yard run TD with 1:35 left is difference
Oct. 25	Ripon	Ripon	L 19-7	Third time in 105-gm. tenure of Jim Purtill held to 7 pts. or less
Nov. 1	Beloit	Beloit	W 42-21	Tenth-straight win over Beloit, including six at Beloit
Nov. 8	Illinois College	De Pere	1 p.m.	Phillips totaled career-high 400 all-purpose yards last yr.

St. Norbert Quick Facts

Nickname:Green Knights
Location:De Pere, WI 54115
Colors:Dartmouth Green & Old Gold
Founded:1898
Enrollment:2,100
President:Thomas Kunkel
Athletics Director:Tim Bald
Conference:Midwest Conference
Facility:Dr. John R. Minahan Stadium
Capacity:3,100
Year Opened:1938
All-Time Minahan Record:195-91-7
Head Coach:Jim Purtill
Record at St. Norbert:90-16 (tenth year)
First Season of Football:1931
Seasons of Football:75
All-Time Overall Record:380-263-20
All-Time MWC Record:139-29-0
MWC Championships:12
(1985,87,88,89,99,2000,01,02,03,04,06,07)
NCAA Playoff Appearances:8
(1989,99,2000,01,03,04,06,07)

Head Coach Jim Purtill

Education:

Bachelor's degree at Miami (Ohio) University (1978); master's degree at Salem (W. Va.) College (1995).

Coaching Experience:

Offensive line coach at Ferris State (1988 to 1994); offensive coordinator at Albion (1995 to 1998); head coach at St. Norbert (March 9, 1999 to present).



Purtill's Head Coaching Record

Year	Overall	MWC	Place	NCAA
1999	9-2	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2000	10-1	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2001	8-2	7-1	T1st	First Rd.
2002	9-1	8-1	T1st	
2003	11-1	9-0	1st	Second Rd.
2004	9-2	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2005	8-2	8-1	2nd	
2006	10-1	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2007	10-1	9-0	1st	First Rd.
2008	6-3	6-2		
Totals	90-16	83-5		

Purtill vs. Midwest Conference

Team	Overall	Home	Away
Beloit	10-0	4-0	6-0
Carroll	9-0	5-0	4-0
Grinnell	10-0	5-0	5-0
Illinois College	8-1	4-0	4-1
Knox	10-0	5-0	5-0
Lake Forest	9-1	5-1	4-0
Lawrence	10-0	5-0	5-0
Monmouth	8-2	4-2	4-0
Ripon	9-1	4-0	5-1
Totals	83-5	41-3	42-2

About the Green Knights:

St. Norbert improved to 6-3 overall and 6-2 in the Midwest Conference with a 42-21 win over Beloit College this past Saturday at Strong Stadium in Beloit. The Green Knights put up 341 yards of total offense on the Buccaneers.

St. Norbert is averaging 373.1 yards per game of total offense, which rates third in the Midwest Conference. Sophomore running back Dante Sims has the team rushing lead with 635 yards in 126 carries with eight touchdowns. Sophomore quarterback Bryan Stoppenbach is the leading passer with 971 yards on 69-for-112 passing with nine touchdowns and four interceptions. Senior wide receiver Jeremy Gezella is the leading receiver with 32 catches for 615 yards and five touchdowns.

Defensively, St. Norbert is allowing 302.9 yards per game, which is fourth in the MWC. The Green Knights are allowing 103.7 yards rushing per game and 199.2 yards passing per game.

About the Blueboys:

Illinois College enters Saturday's game at 4-5 overall and 4-4 in the Midwest Conference. The Blueboys had won two games in a row prior to suffering a 78-17 loss at home to Monmouth College this past Saturday.

The Blueboys feature the second-best offense in the Midwest Conference, averaging 404.1 yards per game of total offense. Quarterback Mitch Niekamp has thrown a whopping 400 times this season, completing 231 for 2,739 yards with 29 touchdowns and 16 interceptions. Michael Jennings has set a Midwest Conference record with 91 receptions, which have gone for 1,136 yards and 14 touchdowns. Matt Williamson is the leading rusher with 535 yards on 107 carries. Illinois College has just five rushing touchdowns this season.

Illinois College is eighth in the Midwest Conference in total defense, allowing 390.8 yards per game. Opponents are rushing for 206.2 yards per game.

The Blueboys are averaging 31.2 points per game while allowing 36.7 points per game.

Record Watch:

Sophomore quarterback Bryan Stoppenbach has completed 61.6 percent of his passes this season, connecting on 69 of 112 passes. Stoppenbach is within striking distance of the season record for completion percentage, which is currently held by Luke Ott's 62.0 percent success rate set in 2001.

Rob Berger also has an outside change to break his own school record for gross punting average in a season. Berger averaged 39.9 yards per punt as a freshman last season before averaging 38.5 yards per punt this season.

Sack Race:

St. Norbert has 20 quarterback sacks this year, the third straight year and the tenth time in 11 years the Green Knights have totaled at least 20 sacks in a season.

The Green Knights have allowed 31 quarterback sacks this season, which matches the most ever given up by a St. Norbert offense according to available records. St. Norbert allowed 31 sacks in 1992 and 30 in 1983.

Quick Hitters:

* - Senior running back A.J. Phillips went over 200 career points with a touchdown against Beloit and now has 204 for his collegiate career. Phillips also has 5,567 all-purpose yards for his career.

* - St. Norbert is averaging 187.9 yards passing per game. The Green Knights have not averaged less than 200 yards passing per game since netting just 142.9 yards per game in 1998.

* - St. Norbert has scored 335 points this season, and has never scored less than 381 in a season under Jim Purtill.

* - St. Norbert leads the Midwest Conference in penalties with 73.

* - St. Norbert opponents are 4-for-16 on fourth downs this season, the best since opponents were just 1-for-18 in 1998.

2008 St. Norbert College Football
St. Norbert College Combined Team Statistics (as of Nov 04, 2008)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(6-3-0)	(3-1-0)	(3-2-0)	(0-0-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(6-2-0)	(3-1-0)	(3-1-0)	(0-0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(0-1-0)	(0-0-0)	(0-1-0)	(0-0-0)

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
9/6/08	at #23 Wartburg College	L	20-44	3200
*9/13/08	GRINNELL COLLEGE	W	55-7	704
*9/20/08	at Lawrence Univ.	W	44-18	1822
*9/27/08	LAKE FOREST COLLEGE	W	62-0	1347
*10/4/08	at Knox College	W	63-24	300
*10/11/08	MONMOUTH COLLEGE	L	22-31	2466
*10/18/08	CARROLL UNIV.	W	20-17	2757
*10/25/08	at Ripon College	L	7-19	950
*11/1/08	at Beloit College	W	42-21	750

RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Dante Sims	9	126	654	19	635	5.0	8	22	70.6
Rob Berger	8	42	478	42	436	10.4	6	71	54.5
A.J. Phillips	7	80	349	20	329	4.1	9	19	47.0
Todd Sheedy	9	29	210	5	205	7.1	1	27	22.8
Joey Kobs	4	9	42	0	42	4.7	0	13	10.5
John Weninger	3	8	39	2	37	4.6	0	19	12.3
Joe Brogni	4	7	29	1	28	4.0	0	13	7.0
Jeff Schneider	7	4	12	0	12	3.0	0	5	1.7
Mike Dickman	5	3	6	0	6	2.0	0	6	1.2
Anthony Nanne	8	2	8	3	5	2.5	0	8	0.6
ToddWinkelbauer	1	1	1	0	1	1.0	0	1	1.0
Jon Wolf	2	2	2	2	0	0.0	0	2	0.0
Chris Briski	1	1	0	4	-4	-4.0	0	0	-4.0
Danny Kieffer	2	3	0	4	-4	-1.3	0	0	-2.0
Mike Fabrizio	2	1	0	5	-5	-5.0	0	0	-2.5
TEAM	6	1	0	17	-17	-17.0	0	0	-2.8
Adam Gruett	6	4	2	20	-18	-4.5	0	2	-3.0
B. Stoppenbach	9	49	111	132	-21	-0.4	3	11	-2.3
Total.....	9	372	1943	276	1667	4.5	27	71	185.2
Opponents.....	9	363	1294	361	933	2.6	9	51	103.7

PASSING	GP	Effic	Cmp-Att-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
B. Stoppenbach	9	153.81	69-112-4	61.6	971	9	56	107.9
Rob Berger	8	122.64	40-86-5	46.5	702	5	59	87.8
Mike Fabrizio	2	83.60	2-4-0	50.0	16	0	13	8.0
Danny Kieffer	2	38.93	1-3-0	33.3	2	0	2	1.0
Adam Gruett	6	0.00	0-2-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Jeremy Gezella	9	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total.....	9	135.69	112-208-9	53.8	1691	14	59	187.9
Opponents.....	9	116.33	139-264-16	52.7	1793	15	44	199.2

RECEIVING	GP	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Jeremy Gezella	9	32	615	19.2	5	59	68.3
Brian Peterson	8	12	172	14.3	2	47	21.5
A.J. Phillips	7	11	232	21.1	1	56	33.1
Anthony Nanne	8	11	154	14.0	1	28	19.2
Todd Sheedy	9	9	67	7.4	1	20	7.4
Ben Petry	8	8	106	13.2	1	32	13.2
Josh Dalke	5	6	107	17.8	1	30	21.4
Dante Sims	9	5	47	9.4	0	16	5.2
Nick Gorski	7	4	51	12.8	0	19	7.3
Tanner Voss	6	3	16	5.3	0	9	2.7
Jeff Schneider	7	3	12	4.0	1	9	1.7
Corderro Earls	3	1	42	42.0	0	42	14.0
Nick Wilson	3	1	18	18.0	0	18	6.0
Joey Kobs	4	1	13	13.0	0	13	3.2
Jack Dempsey	1	1	13	13.0	0	13	13.0
Mike Dickman	5	1	11	11.0	1	11	2.2
Nick Glass	4	1	10	10.0	0	10	2.5
John Weninger	3	1	3	3.0	0	3	1.0
Ryan Lobeck	1	1	2	2.0	0	2	2.0
Total.....	9	112	1691	15.1	14	59	187.9
Opponents.....	9	139	1793	12.9	15	44	199.2

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
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TEAM STATISTICS	SNC	OPP
FIRST DOWNS.....	173	164
Rushing.....	91	64
Passing.....	75	84
Penalty.....	7	16
RUSHING YARDAGE.....	1667	933
Rushing Attempts.....	372	363
Average Per Rush.....	4.5	2.6
Average Per Game.....	185.2	103.7
TDs Rushing.....	27	9
PASSING YARDAGE.....	1691	1793
Att-Comp-Int.....	208-112-9	264-139-16
Average Per Pass.....	8.1	6.8
Average Per Catch.....	15.1	12.9
Average Per Game.....	187.9	199.2
TDs Passing.....	14	15
TOTAL OFFENSE.....	3358	2726
Average Per Play.....	5.8	4.3
Average Per Game.....	373.1	302.9
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards....	38-797	52-878
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards....	24-294	12-93
INT RETURNS: #-Yards....	16-242	9-82
FUMBLES-LOST.....	13-7	9-6
PENALTIES-Yards.....	73-592	42-311
PUNTS-AVG.....	40-36.5	48-33.7
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game..	28:51	31:09
3RD-DOWN Conversions.....	45/111	53/132
4TH-DOWN Conversions.....	8/17	4/16

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Ben Hackbart	5	59	11.8	0	39
Dan Sjoquist	2	7	3.5	0	7
Alex Noskowiak	2	38	19.0	1	38
Chris Manlick	2	43	21.5	0	30
Scott Wuensch	1	52	52.0	0	52
Matt Sullivan	1	7	7.0	1	7
John Rappel	1	0	0.0	0	0
Ernest James	1	0	0.0	0	0
Justin Baker	1	4	4.0	0	4
Total.....	16	242	15.1	2	52
Opponents.....	9	82	9.1	0	51

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Blk
Rob Berger	26	1002	38.5	53	0	3	9	2
Adam Gruett	9	351	39.0	49	1	2	5	0
Alex Noskowiak	2	53	26.5	39	0	0	0	0
TEAM	2	13	6.5	13	0	0	0	0
Roger Nault	1	39	39.0	39	0	0	0	0
Total.....	40	1458	36.5	53	1	5	14	2
Opponents.....	48	1618	33.7	62	2	4	10	1

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
A.J. Phillips	17	162	9.5	1	38
Logan Krueger	5	81	16.2	0	32
Dan Sjoquist	1	51	51.0	1	51
Kyle Ripley	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total.....	24	294	12.2	2	51
Opponents.....	12	93	7.8	0	24

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
A.J. Phillips	17	382	22.5	0	75
Dan Sjoquist	9	219	24.3	0	38
Logan Krueger	4	75	18.8	0	27
Jeff Schneider	3	55	18.3	0	22
Anthony Nanne	3	56	18.7	0	21
Nick Gorski	1	10	10.0	0	10
Justin Baker	1	0	0.0	0	0

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St. Norbert College Overall Individual Statistics (as of Nov 04, 2008)

All games

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	|-----Tackles-----|				|-Sacks-|		|---Pass Def---|			|-Fumbles-|		Blkd	
	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL/Yds	No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	Rcv-Yds	FF	Kick	Saf	
47 Scott Wuensch	37	48	85	8.0-23	1.5-8	1-52	.	.	1-95	1	.	.	
21 Joe Breisch	38	28	66	13.5-74	5.0-42	.	2	.	.	.	.	1
41 Ben Hackbart	34	30	64	3.0-11	1.0-9	5-59	2	.	1-0	.	1	.	
33 Alex Noskowiak	27	34	61	5.0-15	1.5-10	2-38	2	.	.	.	.	.
23 Dustin Gresen	27	14	41	6.0-10	.	.	5	.	.	.	.	.
49 Jared Hackbart	13	14	27	7.5-19	2.0-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3 Chris Manlick	14	13	27	.	.	2-43	4	.	.	.	.	.
40 Justin Baker	13	11	24	.	.	1-4	.	.	1-0	1	.	.	
95 Art Janowiak	12	11	23	6.0-26	2.5-16	.	5	.	1-0	.	.	.	
71 Jon Herger	8	15	23	3.5-7	1.0-4	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
52 SteveVandenBush	6	16	22	2.5-12	1.0-11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14 Ernest James	13	6	19	.	.	1-0	1	.	.	.	1	.	
58 Kyle Ripley	9	10	19	2.5-9	1.5-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20 John Rappel	12	6	18	1.5-2	.	1-0	2	.	.	.	.	.
18 Dan Sjoquist	5	8	13	.	.	2-7	1	.	.	.	.	.
91 John Troyer	4	6	10	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
50 Drew Oudenhoven	3	7	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
34 Logan Krueger	6	4	10	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
TM TEAM	10	.	10	2.0-11	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	1
44 Sam Van Straten	4	5	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total.....	344	314	658	72-273	20-142	16-242	30	.	6-95	4	4	2	
Opponents.....	359	268	627	68-276	31-174	9-82	21	.	7-0	10	2	.	