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Schedule

May 23-25

W Track at NCAA DIII Championships at Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn.
M Track at NCAA DIII Championships at Macalester College, St. Paul, Minn.

May 24-29

Baseball NCAA World Series, Appleton

2002-03

Friday, August 30

Volleyball at UW-River Falls Tourney, TBA

Saturday, August 31

Volleyball at UW-River Falls Tourney, TBA

Soccer at Carleton, 1 p.m.

W Cross Country Intra-Squad, 10 a.m.

M Cross Country Intra-Squad, 11 a.m.

Wednesday, September 4

Volleyball vs. Hamline, 7:30 p.m.

Soccer vs. St. Scholastica, 7 p.m.

Friday, September 6

Volleyball Augsburg Invite, TBA

Saturday, September 7

Soccer at St. Catherine's Tourney

vs. Graceland, Iowa, 11 a.m.

Volleyball at Augsburg Invite, TBA

W Cross Country at UW-GB Invite, 11 a.m.

M Cross Country at Luther Invite, 11 a.m.

Sunday, September 8

Soccer at St. Catherine's Tourney

vs. Iowa Wesleyan, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, September 10

Soccer vs. St. Mary's, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, September 11

Volleyball vs. Macalester, 6/7:30 p.m.

Tennis vs. Eau Claire, 3 p.m.

Friday, September 13

Soccer vs. Whitewater, 7 p.m.

Tennis vs. Ripon, 3:30 p.m.

Volleyball at La Crosse Tourney, TBA

Saturday, September 14

Football at Millsaps, 7 p.m.

Volleyball at La Crosse Tourney, TBA

Tennis vs. Whitewater, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, September 18

Tennis vs. St. Mary's, TBA

Friday, September 20

Volleyball at Whitewater, 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 21

Soccer at Eau Claire, 2 p.m.

Football vs. Eau Claire, 7 p.m.

Volleyball at Oshkosh, Noon

W Cross Country at St. Olaf Invite, 11 a.m.

M Cross Country at St. Olaf Invite, Noon

Tennis at Stevens Point, Noon

Sunday, September 22

Tennis vs. Edgewood at Stevens Point, Noon

Tuesday, September 24

Soccer vs. Augsburg, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, September 25

Tennis at River Falls, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, September 27

Soccer vs. Oshkosh, 7 p.m.

UP THIS WEEK!!!

WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

The Blue Devils will wrap up season and the school year by competing at the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track & Field Championships, May 23-25, at Macalester College in St. Paul. **Jenney Luer (Sr, Colfax)** has the top distance in the discus (175-1) and is No. 3 in the shot put. **Laura Verdegan (So, Tony)** will compete in the triple jump and the long jump, and has provisionally qualified in the 400 hurdles. **Marci Schachtner (Fr, Deer Park)** has provisionally qualified in the hammer throw. The NCAA will announce the complete field, late Monday, May 20. **Last week:** The Blue Devils competed at the St. Thomas Qualifier, May 15 and at the St. Olaf Qualifier, May 17.

MEN'S TRACK & FIELD

The Blue Devils will wrap up season and the school year by competing at the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track & Field Championships, May 23-25, at Macalester College in St. Paul. **Dave Hanson (Jr, Sun Prairie)** has automatically qualified to the meet in the 400 hurdles. **Jeff Roterling (Sr, Waumandee)** and **Lewis Cassellius (So, Glenwood City)** have provisionally qualified in the pole vault, as has **Dave Huber (Jr, Mendota Heights, Minn)** in the 10,000-meter run and the 4x400-relay team of Hanson, **John Hanson (Sr, Grantsburg)**, **Jim Dvorak (Fr, New Prague, Minn)** and **Kevin Riester (Jr, Red Wing, Minn)**. The NCAA will announce the complete field, late Monday, May 20. **Last week:** The Blue Devils competed at the St. Olaf Qualifier, Friday, May 17.

MATT LUNDE NAMED TO ALL-WIAC BASEBALL TEAM

MENOMONIE - UW-Stout pitcher **Matt Lunde (Sr, Eau Claire)** was named to the 2002 All-WIAC Baseball first team. Designated hitter **Jon Kroening (So, Ladysmith)**, catcher **Justin Biever (Jr, South Milwaukee)**, first baseman **Brad Barneson (Sr, Strum)** and right fielder **JW Dachel (Sr, Bloomer)** were named to the honorable mention squad. For the season, Lunde posted a 3.78 earned run average (ERA) with a 7-4 overall record and threw a whopping 78.2 innings. Lunde, the team's iron man on the mound, made 17 appearances, started nine games and completed three games. Lunde notched a save, the same day he earlier had pitched a complete game, allowed 33 earned runs, 16 walks and struck out 53. In his four-year career, Lunde pitched a school record 247 innings, posted a career ERA of 3.64, allowed 100 earned runs, 63 walks and finished second on the school all-time strikeout list with 144. Dan Larsen holds the record with 147 strikeouts. Lunde also finished second on the Stout career list for least walks allowed per inning with .26 and finished in the top 10 in hits allowed with 1.08.

Dachel led the Blue Devils in runs batted in with 35 and hit at a .315 clip (46-146). Dachel slugged out a team-high eight home runs, including an in-the-park homer at the Metrodome in March, and had 11 doubles. Dachel joins Lunde on several Blue Devil career lists, including at-bats (472, 7th), runs scored (87, 13th), hits (155, 9th), doubles (34, tied for 2nd), and RBI (101, 12th). Kroening saw action in 29 games, mostly as the designated hitter, and led the team in batting average with .374 (37-99). He finished with seven doubles, a triple, two home runs and 22 RBI. Barneson batted at a .338 clip (44-130) and had seven doubles, three triples, six home runs and 20 RBI. At first base, Barneson fielded at a 98 percent average, committing only six errors in 305 chances. On the mound, Barneson worked 9.2 innings over seven appearances, started one game and had an ERA of 2.79. Biever provided consistent hitting throughout the season, hitting .368 (42-114) with five doubles, three home runs and 27 RBI.

Stout finished the season at 18-20 overall, and tied for fourth in the WIAC with a 12-15 record.

For up-to-date results and stats, check out the Blue Devil Athletic web site.

SARAH KOKKE NAMED SOFTBALL MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

MENOMONIE - Sarah Kokke (Sr, Galesville), the UW-Stout softball team's only senior, was named the team most valuable player, coach Chris Stainer announced at the team's annual awards banquet, Thursday, May 17. Kokke wore the term "team leader" on her sleeve all season and won the respect of her teammates both on the field and off. Kokke, the team's second baseman, batted .322 (19-59) with two doubles, two home runs and 12 RBI. She also stole three bases, drew eight walks and fielded at a .901 clip. Kokke also received the "Best Leader" award.

Pitcher **Molly Kraft (Fr, St. Louis Park, Minn)** was named the team's rookie-of-the-year, **Kaela Wold (Fr, Altoona)** took home the slugger award, **Jamie Gorges (Fr, New London)** was named most improved and **Erin O'Connell (Fr, Altoona)** earned the golden glove award and shared the most dedicated award with **Sara Jensen (Jr, Eau Claire)**. Kraft was the workhorse of the Blue Devils' pitching staff, making 21 appearances out of 25 possible games. Kraft posted a 3.65 earned run average and was 5-12 on the very young team. Kraft pitched 109.1 innings and recorded a team-high 38 strikeouts, while giving up 18 walks. Wold was a first team All-WIAC choice who led the Blue Devils in hitting and RBI, hitting at a .409 clip (27-66) with 14 RBI. She finished with a slugging percentage of .712, ranking her third on the Stout single season list. Wold worked her way into the starting line-up in the outfield. Gorges became the team's starting catcher and improved her batting average to .304 (21-69), fourth on the team. She recorded seven doubles, one home run and 11 RBI. O'Connell was the Blue Devils' starting first baseman from Day One and committed only two errors in 162 chances for a fielding percentage of .988, just short of the school record of .991, but best-ever for a first baseman.

Super-Sub awards went to: **Michele Harvieux (So, Centerville, Minn)** for pinch hitting, **Leslie Barkin (Fr, Buffalo Grove, Ill)** for pitching and **Liz Riebe (Fr, Grafton)** for pinch running. **Heather Novalany (Fr, Cottage Grove, Minn)** received the spirit award.

Stout finished with an overall record of 9-16, 3-9 in the WIAC and tied for fifth in the WIAC tournament.

2002 UW-Stout Softball Letterwinners

Third year: Sarah Kokke (Sr, Galesville); **Second year:** Sara Jensen (Jr, Eau Claire), Carrie Ruda (So, Merrillan), Michele Harvieux (So, Centerville, Minn), Kim Caswell (So, Stanley); **First year:** Liz Riebe (Fr, Grafton), Kaela Wold (Fr, Altoona), Sky Flanders (Fr, Spring Valley), Nicky Mansur (So, Plover), Leslie Barkin (Fr, Buffalo Grove, Ill), Kaylene Hanson (Fr, Black River Falls), Heather Novalany (Fr, Cottage Grove, Minn), Laura Bohn (Fr, Stoughton), Andrea Boyle (Fr, Blaine, Minn), Jamie Gorges (Fr, New London), Stephanie "Scooter" Aspen (So, Eau Claire), Molly Kraft (Fr, St. Louis Park, Minn), Erin O'Connell (Fr, Altoona)

2002 UW-Stout Softball Team Awards

Most Valuable Player: Sarah Kokke (Sr, Galesville)

Slugger: Kaela Wold (Fr, Altoona)

Golden Glove: Erin O'Connell (Fr, Altoona)

Most Improved: Jamie Gorges (Fr, New London)

Most Dedicated: Erin O'Connell (Fr, Altoona), Sara Jensen (Jr, Eau Claire)

Rookie-of-the-Year: Molly Kraft (Fr, St. Louis Park, Minn)

Best Leader: Sarah Kokke (Sr, Galesville)

Super-Sub (Pinch Hitting): Michele Harvieux (So, Centerville, Minn)

Super-Sub (Pinch Running): Liz Riebe (Fr, Grafton)

Super-Sub (Relief Pitching): Leslie Barkin (Fr, Buffalo Grove, Ill)

Spirit Award: Heather Novalany (Fr, Cottage Grove, Minn)

2002 Team Captains: Sarah Kokke (Sr, Galesville), Michele Harvieux (So, Centerville)

VERDEGAN REACHES NCAA QUALIFIERS IN THREE EVENTS

NORTHFIELD, Minn - Laura Verdegan (So, Tony) reached three NCAA Division III national marks at the St. Olaf Qualifier, Friday, May 17 at Northfield, Minn. Verdegan, who had been concentrating primarily on the long and triple jumps, timed in at 64.55-seconds in the 400-meter hurdles to put her name on the hurdle list for the first time in her collegiate career. Verdegan hit good distances in the long (17-feet, 11.75-inches) and triple (38-3.50) jumps, but did not exceed her previous season bests. **Marci Schachtner (Fr, Deer Park)** tossed the hammer 136-9. **Jenney Luer (Sr, Colfax)** competed at the UW-Oshkosh Qualifier, Saturday, May 18, in the shot put and the discus, but results were not available. Luer, Verdegan and Schachtner have all reached NCAA qualifying marks. Luer is the top seed in the discus and No. 3 in the shot put. Verdegan has automatically qualified in the triple jump and provisionally qualified in the hurdles and long jump. Schachtner has provisionally qualified in the hammer. The NCAA will announce the qualifiers to the national meet scheduled for May 23-25 at Macalester College late Monday evening.

VERDEGAN IMPROVES TIME IN HURDLE EVENT

ST. PAUL, Minn - Laura Verdegan (So, Tony) hit a career-best in the 400-hurdles, but it still wasn't enough to send her to the national meet in the event. Verdegan took first place in three events, Tuesday, May 14, at the St. Thomas Qualifier, coming in at 1-minute, 5.47-seconds in the hurdles, still short of the NCAA Division III provisional qualifying time. Verdegan took the long jump with a leap of 17-feet, 8-inches, and the triple jump with a mark of 38-3.50. Neither jump exceeded her best distances of the year. Verdegan is automatically qualified to nationals in the triple jump and provisionally qualified in the long jump.

Jenney Luer (Sr, Colfax) long ago punched her ticket to nationals in the discus and shot put, ranking No. 1 in the discus and No. 3 in the shot. Tuesday, Luer continued to stay loose in each event, throwing the discus 152-3.50 and the shot 44-9.75. **Marci Schachtner (Fr, Deer Park)** was trying to improve her distance in the hammer throw, but marked a throw of 142-8.50, more than 60 feet over her first attempt of the year in March, but well short of the provisional mark she reached last week.

4X400 RELAY TEAM HITS NATIONAL QUALIFYING TIME

NORTHFIELD, Minn - UW-Stout's 4X400-meter relay team reached the NCAA Division III provisional qualifying time, Friday, May 17 at the St. Olaf Qualifier, at Northfield, Minn. **Jim Dvorak (Fr, New Prague, Minn)**, **Dave Hanson (Jr, Sun Prairie)**, **Kevin Riestler (Jr, Red Wing, Minn)**, and **John Hanson (Sr, Grantsburg)** finished second to a team from St. Thomas, recording a time of 3-minutes, 16.66-seconds. The team will have to wait until late Monday evening to find out if they will advance to the national meet, May 23-25 at Macalester College. **Lewis Cassellius (So, Glenwood City)** took the pole vault with his second best leap of the season (14-9). John Hanson was fourth in the 800-meter run (1:59.94) and **Dave Huber (Jr, Mendota Heights, Minn)** was fourth in the 1500 (4:11.10). Dave Hanson is the only Blue Devil to assure himself a trip to the national meet. Hanson automatically qualified in the 400-hurdles. Cassellius and **Jeff Rotering (Sr, Waumandee)** have provisionally qualified in the pole vault and Huber has provisionally qualified in the 10,000-meter run.

DAVE HANSON, JEFF ROTERING GARNER TOP TRACK AWARDS

MENOMONIE - National qualifiers **Dave Hanson (Jr, Sun Prairie)** and **Jeff Rotering (Sr, Waumandee)** were named as the UW-Stout most valuable track performer and most valuable field performer, respectively, Blue Devil coach Keith Ellingson announced Monday, May 13 at the team's annual awards banquet. Hanson, a hurdler and sprinter, repeats as the team's most valuable track athlete. Hanson was a double winner at the 2002 WIAC indoor championships, taking the 400- and 55-hurdle events, earning co-MVP of the meet award. In the outdoor season, Hanson finished second at the WIAC meet in the 400-hurdles and last week broke the 13-year-old hurdle school record with a time of 52.20-seconds, automatically qualifying for the outdoor national championships next week.

Rotering placed third at the indoor national meet in the pole vault and set a new indoor school record in the event with a leap of 16-feet, 3.25-inches. Rotering has provisionally qualified to the national outdoor championships and was runner-up at the WIAC outdoor meet. Freshmen of the year awards went to sprinters **Brady Hurtgen (Ridgeland)** and **Taylor Hustad (Colfax)**. Senior hurdler **Jeff Miller (St. Louis Park, Minn)** was awarded the most improved award after knocking off almost five seconds from his 400-hurdle time and distance runner **Dave Huber (Jr, Mendota Heights, Minn)** was named most inspirational. Along with Rotering and Dave Hanson, **John Hanson (Sr, Grantsburg)**, and **Bryan Ott (Sr, Monroe)** served as 2002 team captains. Dave Hanson, Huber, **Tim Faber (Jr, Fond du Lac)** and **Sam Werner (Jr, Elk Mound)** were chosen as 2003 team captains.

2002 UW-Stout Men's Track and Field team awards

Most Valuable Track Performer: Dave Hanson (Jr, Sun Prairie)

Most Valuable Field Performer: Jeff Rotering (Sr, Waumandee)

Freshmen of the Year: Brady Hurtgen (Fr, Ridgeland), Taylor Hustad (Colfax)

Most Improved: Jeff Miller (Sr, St. Louis Park, Minn)

Most Inspirational: Dave Huber (Jr, Mendota Heights, Minn)

2002 Team Captains: Dave Hanson (Jr, Sun Prairie), John Hanson (Sr, Grantsburg), Bryan Ott (Sr, Monroe), Jeff Rotering (Sr, Waumandee)

2003 Team Captains: Tim Faber (Jr, Fond du Lac), Dave Hanson (Jr, Sun Prairie), Dave Huber (Jr, Mendota Heights, Minn), Sam Werner (Jr, Elk Mound)

Baseball
Final Record: 18-20, 12-15

Date / Opponent / Time or Result

Mon., March 4 / University of Dubuque / W 4-0, W 6-5
 Sun., March 17 / at Missouri Southern Classic
 vs. Huron University, W 18-5
 at Pittsburg State, L 5-2
 Mon., March 18 / at Pittsburg State, W 5-2, L 6-1
 Tues., March 19 / at Evangel University, cancelled
 Wed., March 20 / at Missouri Southern / L 5-2
 Thurs., March 21 / at Missouri Southern Classic
 vs. UW-Superior, W 12-1
 vs. Missouri Southern, L 7-4
 Fri., March 22 / at Missouri Southern Classic
 vs. Morningside, L 3-1
 vs. St. Olaf, W 4-2
 Sat., April 6 / at UW-Platteville* (2) / L 5-3, W 6-3
 Sun., April 7 / at UW-Platteville* (2) / L 15-11, cancelled
 Fri., April 12 / at UW-River Falls* (2) / W 6-4, W 4-1
 Sat., April 13 / UW-Oshkosh* (2) / L 5-3, L 7-3
 Sun., April 14 / UW-Oshkosh* (2) / W 8-7, W 11-10
 Wed., April 17 / UW-Superior* (2) / W 15-0, L 12-5
 Sat., April 20 / UW-Whitewater* (2) / L 8-0, L 2-1
 Wed., April 24 / UW-River Falls* (2) / W 12-6, W 13-9
 Fri., April 26 / UW-Whitewater* (2) / L 9-4, L 9-3
 Sat., April 27 / at UW-Stevens Point* (2) / L 9-1, L 5-3
 Mon., April 29 / at UW-Stevens Point* (2) / L 9-8, L 14-6
 Wed., May 1 / at UW-Superior* (2) / W 7-6, W 3-0
 Sat., May 4 / UW-La Crosse* (2) / L 7-4, W 18-6
 Sun., May 5 / UW-La Crosse* (2) / L 10-2, W 8-7

Softball
Final Record: 9-16, 3-9

Date / Opponent / Time or Result

March 16-23 / Spring Trip (8-0) exhibition / Bahamas
 Thurs., Mar. 28 / at Winona State / L 7-4, L 8-0
Wed., April 3 / UW-Eau Claire (2)* / ppd
 Thurs., April 4 / at Hamline (2) / ppd
April 6-7 / UW-Stout Invitational / TBA
Saturday, April 6
 Stout 13, Northland 2 (5 inn)
 Stout 12, Northwestern 4 (5 inn)
 St. Scholastica 7, Northland 0
 Northwestern 8, St. Scholastica 7
 Stout 13, Northwestern 2 (5 inn)
Sunday, April 7
 St. Scholastica 13, Northland 2
 Northwestern 10, Northland 2 (5 inn)
 St. Scholastica 7, Stout 6
 Sat., April 13 / at WIAC Cluster Tourney at Whitewater
 vs. Whitewater*, L 10-0
 vs. Stevens Point*, W 9-8
 Sun., April 14 / at WIAC Cluster Tourney at Whitewater
 vs. Platteville*, W 4-1
 vs. Oshkosh*, L 7-3
 Tues., April 16 / at UW-Superior (2)* / W 5-0, L 10-4
Thurs., April 18 / UW-La Crosse (2)* / L 4-0, L 10-2
 Fri., April 19 / at Hamline (2) / L 14-3, L 6-3
Tues., April 23 / UW-Eau Claire (2)* / L 8-1, L 5-4
 Wed., April 25 / at UW-River Falls (2)* / L 2-0, L 11-0
 Sat., April 27 / at WIAC Cluster Tourney* at Menomonie
 vs. Platteville*, cancelled
 vs. Oshkosh*, cancelled
 Sun., April 28 / at WIAC Cluster Tourney* at Superior
 vs. Whitewater*, cancelled
 vs. Stevens Point*, cancelled
Tues., April 30 / St. Olaf (2) / W 10-2, W 9-7
 May 3-5 / at WIAC Tournament at Onalaska
 vs. Stevens Point, W 3-1
 vs. Superior, L 5-2
 vs. Platteville, L 1-0
 May 9-12 / NCAA DIII Regionals / TBA
 May 16-19 / NCAA DIII National Tourney/ TBA
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Men's Track & Field

Outdoor

Sat., April 6 / at Luther Norse Invite / 2nd of 6
 Sat., April 13 / at UW-La Crosse Triangular / 10:30 a.m.
 Sat., April 20 / at Carleton Relays / TBA
 Sat., April 27 / at UW-La Crosse Classic / 10:30 a.m.
 May 3-4 / at WIAC Championships / 7th of 8
 La Crosse, Wis.
 Fri., May 10 / at UW-La Crosse Qualifier / 3 p.m.
 Sat., May 11 / at U of Minnesota Qualifier / 4 p.m.
 Tues., May 14 / at St. Thomas Invite / 4 p.m.
 Fri., May 17 / at St. Olaf Invite / 4 p.m.
 May 23-25 / at NCAA DIII Championships / TBA
 St. Paul, Minn.

Indoor

Date / Opponent / Time or Result

Fri., Jan. 18 / UW-Stout Quad / not scored
 Sat., Jan. 26 / at St. Mary's Invite / not scored
Sat., Feb. 2 / UW-Stout Invite / 2nd of 5
Fri., Feb. 8 / UW-Stout Pentangular / 2nd of 5
Sat., Feb. 9 / Warren Bowls Invite / Noon
 Sat., Feb. 16 / at Wis/Minn Challenge / 4th of 4
Fri., Feb. 22 / Blue Devil Invite / not scored
 March 1-2 / at WIAC Championships / 7th of 8
 Whitewater, Wis.
 March 8-9 / at NCAA DIII Championships / 25th
 (Ohio Northern hosts)

Women's Track & Field

Outdoor

March 15-20 / at Pt Loma Nazarene / 3rd of 3
 San Diego, Calif
 Sat., April 6 / at UW-Eau Claire Invite / 11 a.m.
 Sat., April 13 / at Gustavus Adolphus Invite / 10:30 a.m.
 Sat., April 20 / at St. Olaf Relays / TBA
 Sat., April 27 / at UW-La Crosse Classic / 10:30 a.m.
 May 3-4 / at WIAC Championships / 6th of 9
 La Crosse, Wis.
 Fri., May 10 / at UW-La Crosse Qualifier / 3 p.m.
 Sat., May 11 / at U of Minnesota Qualifier / 4 p.m.
 Tues., May 14 / at St. Thomas Invite / 4 p.m.
 Fri., May 17 / at St. Olaf Invite / 4 p.m.
 May 23-25 / at NCAA DIII Championships / TBA
 St. Paul, Minn.

Indoor

Date / Opponent / Time or Result

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 Sat., Jan. 26 / at St. Mary's Invite / not scored
Sat., Feb. 2 / UW-Stout Invite / 1st of 4
Fri., Feb. 8 / UW-Stout Pentangular / 2nd of 5
 Sat., Feb. 16 / at Wis/Minn Challenge / 4th of 4
Fri., Feb. 22 / Blue Devil Invite / not scored
 March 1-2 / at WIAC Championships / 6th of 9
 Whitewater, Wis.
 March 8-9 / at NCAA DIII Championships / 11th
 (Ohio Northern hosts)