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Schedule

Tuesday, November 26

Women's Basketball vs. Northwestern, 7 p.m.

Hockey at St. Mary's, 7 p.m.

Saturday, November 30

Women's Basketball at St. Scholastica, 5 p.m.

Sunday, December 1

Men's Basketball at Northland, 1 p.m.

Women's Basketball at Northland, 3 p.m.

Wednesday, December 4

Men's Basketball at UW-Superior, 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball vs. UW-Superior, 7 p.m.

Friday, December 6

Hockey at Air Force Academy, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 7

Hall of Fame Induction Banquet, 9:30 a.m.

Men's Basketball vs. UW-Eau Claire, 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball vs. UW-Eau Claire, 5 p.m.

Hockey at Air Force Academy, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, December 9

Women's Basketball vs. Martin Luther College, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 11

Men's Basketball at UW-Stevens Point, 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball vs. UW-Stevens Point, 7 p.m.

Thursday, December 12

Hockey at St. Thomas, 7 p.m.

Friday, December 13

Men's Basketball at Viterbo, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 14

Women's Basketball at Luther College, 3 p.m.

Hockey at Augsburg, 7 p.m.

Sunday, December 15

Men's Basketball at Univ. of Mary, TBA

Saturday, December 28

Men's Basketball in Honolulu

vs. Nebraska-Wesleyan, 6:45 p.m.

Sunday, December 29

Women's Basketball at Land of Magic Tourney

vs. Elizabethown, 11 a.m.

Men's Basketball in Honolulu

vs. Illinois-Wesleyan, 4:30 p.m.

Monday, December 30

Women's Basketball at Land of Magic Tourney

vs. Hanover, Noon

Friday, January 3

Hockey at St. Olaf, 8 p.m.

Saturday, January 4

Men's Basketball vs. UW-Oshkosh, 7 p.m.

Monday, January 6

Women's Basketball at UW-Oshkosh, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, January 7

Men's Basketball vs. Northwestern, 7 p.m.

Hockey vs. Gustavus, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 8

Gymnastics at Winona State, 7 p.m.

Friday, January 10

Hockey at UW-River Falls, 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 11

Men's Basketball at UW-Platteville, 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball vs. UW-Platteville, 3 p.m.

Hockey vs. UW-River Falls, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, January 13

Gymnastics at Gustavus, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, January 15

Mens Basketball vs. UW-La Crosse, 7 p.m.

UP THIS WEEK!!!

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The Blue Devils (2-0) will open the 2002-03 home season this week when they host Northwestern College (2-1), Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 7 p.m. Stout will then travel the north shore area, going to St. Scholastica (1-1), Saturday, Nov. 30, then taking on Northland College (1-1), Sunday, Dec. 1. Northwestern College, an NAIA school, has always presented a challenge to the Blue Devils, and downed Stout last season, 81-71, in Roseville, Minn. The teams have been annual opponents since the 1995-96 season, the last time the visitor has carried a victory home, when Stout won, 97-85. Northwestern defeated Hamline, 69-56, Nov. 22, and North Central, 93-41, Nov. 19. Northwestern's only loss came to the University of Mary, an 83-61 decision, Nov. 16 at Northwestern. Stout defeated Northland, 79-61 last season, but haven't play St. Scholastica since the 1998-99 season when the Saints won an 82-79 decision. **Last week:** The Blue Devils opened their season by working their way through the Millikin University sponsored Coaches versus Cancer Tournament, downing Webster, 86-64, and host Millikin, 69-47. The win over Webster gave Stout coach Mark Thomas his 250th career win. **Player of the week:** Laura Verdegan, Jr, Tony, Wis. (Flambeau)

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Blue Devils (0-2) will continue their road warrior schedule this week when they travel to Northland College (0-2), Sunday, Dec. 1. Stout holds a 26-8 lead in the series, and last year won, 105-48, the most points a Stout team has scored since a 106-56 win over Martin Luther in 1998. **Last week:** The Blue Devils fell to two NCAA Division II opponents at the Pepsi Tip-Off Classic in Mankato, Minn. Stout lost to No. 5 ranked Michigan Tech, 93-71, Nov. 22, and 84-80, to host Minnesota State-Mankato, Nov. 23. Northland lost two games in the UW-Eau Claire Tip-Off Classic. **Player of the week:** Andy Bray, Jr, Menominee, Mich.

HOCKEY

The Blue Devils (3-6-0, 0-6-0 NCHA, 0-3-0 WIAC) will travel to Winona, Minn., Tuesday, Nov. 26 to face St. Mary's College (6-2-0). Stout lost, 3-2, in overtime to St. Mary's last year. Stout holds a 7-5 lead in the series. **Last week:** Stout dropped two home conference contests, falling 10-4 to No. 1 ranked St. Norbert, Nov. 22, and 5-1 to Lake Forest College, Nov. 23. The Cardinals twice defeated Bethel College by identical 4-2 scores last weekend. **Player of the week:** Dan Winkler, Jr, Brooklyn Center, Minn. (Maple Grove)

DEFENSE PREVAILS AS BLUE DEVILS DOWN MILLIKIN, 69-47

DECATUR, III - The UW-Stout explosive offense usually gets much of the attention, but it was the Blue Devils' defense that provided the spark as Stout downed Millikin University, 69-47, Sunday, Nov. 24 in the Coaches vs. Cancer Tournament in Decatur, III. The Blue Devils (2-0) shut down Millikin coming out of the locker room, holding the Big Blue scoreless for the first five minutes of the second half and limiting them to only 16 second half points. Stout held Millikin to a miserly 27 percent shooting from the field in the second half and 30 percent on the game. Stout turned a 34-31 halftime advantage into 43-33 lead at the 15 minute mark of the second stanza and coasted to the win. **Jesse Herrman (Jr, Barron)** led Stout with 13 points off the bench, while **Laura Verdegan (Jr, Tony)** added 11 points and Erin Churchill (So, Plum City) 10. Herrman finished the game with five steals as Stout picked Millikin's pocket 20 times, and forced 37 turnovers. Verdegan, who was named to the all-tournament team along with **Sara Kahl (Jr, Menomonie)** had seven rebounds. Millikin got 15 points from Laura Zimmerman and Karin Olson pulled down a game-high 10 rebounds. Stout will host Northwestern College, Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 7 p.m.

BLUE DEVIL WOMEN OPEN SEASON WITH WIN OVER WEBSTER

DECATUR, III - **Sara Kahl (Jr, Menomonie)** scored 17 points and UW-Stout jumped out to a 44-23 halftime lead as the Blue Devils went on to a 86-64 season opening win against Webster University at the Coaches vs. Cancer Tournament hosted by Millikin University in Decatur, III. Kahl got a good portion of her points at the free throw line, hitting 7-of-8 freebies. The free throw line was good to Stout, overall, as the Blue Devils connected on 28-of-43 charity shots. **Laura Verdegan (Jr, Tony)** tossed in 13 points and had four steals and four blocked shots. Freshman **Molly Hendricks (Blaine, Minn)** scored 11 points in her collegiate debut, **Tanya Halbach (Sr, Janesville)** pitched in with 10 points. Webster got 14 points from Jessie Tonsor, 13 from Lessie Shanley and 10 from Angie Carr.

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