



MEN'S DIVISION

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CONCORDIA	FINLANDIA	LAKE FOREST	ST. NORBERT	ST. SCHOLASTICA	UW - EAU CLAIRE	UW - RIVER FALLS	UW - STEVENS POINT	UW - STOUT	UW - SUPERIOR
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2008-2009 Preseason Coaches' Poll

	Team	Pts
1	St. Norbert (7)	5
2	UW-River Falls	12
3	UW-Stout	14
4	UW-Superior	17
5	UW-Stevens Point	23
6	St. Scholastica (1)	25
7	UW-Eau Claire	29
8	Lake Forest	35

* First place votes in parentheses

2007 - 2008 Men's Final Standings

	W	L	T	PTS
St. Norbert (27-1-4)	10	0	4	24
UW-River Falls (16-7-4)	8	5	1	17
UW-Stout (18-9-3)	7	5	2	16
UW-Superior (13-6-8)	6	4	4	16
UW-Eau Claire (11-16-1)	6	7	1	13
UW-Stevens Point (14-9-4)	5	6	3	13
St. Scholastica (10-13-5)	4	7	3	11
Lake Forest (3-23-1)	1	13	0	2

SURVEY SAYS ...

A look at last year's preseason coaches' poll:

- 1 St. Norbert (4)
- 2 UW-River Falls (1)
- 3 UW-Stout
- 4 St. Scholastica (2)
- 5 UW-Superior (1)
- 6 UW-Eau Claire
- 7 UW-Stevens Point
- 8 Lake Forest

2007-08 Top Returning Goal Scorers

Name	Cl	Goals
Pat Borgestad, UWRF	Sr	23
Derek Hanson, STOUT	Jr	22
Derek Hansberry, UWRF	Sr	19
Joel Gaulrapp, STOUT	Jr	18
Matt Boyd, SNC	Jr	17
Tyler Czuba, UWRF	Jr	16

St. Norbert pegged as favorite

Play begins Thursday at UW-Superior

St. Paul, Minn. (October 20, 2008) – Despite losing two key players off its national championship roster – G Kyle Jones and F Marc Belanger – coaches voted St. Norbert the clear preseason favorite to win the NCHA Men's Division in 2008-09. And for good reason: Besides Jones and Belanger, everyone is back for the Green Knights.

SNC has won the NCHA ten of the last 12 years and will try to do so again this season with six players who notched 20 or more points last year. Leading the scoring brigade could be Matt Boyd (St. Albert, Alberta), who went off for 39 points in 07-08. The hanging question will be how the Green Knights will replace Jones in net. One candidate will be Blake Bashor (Le Claire, IA), who posted a 6-0-1 record in seven starts last season.

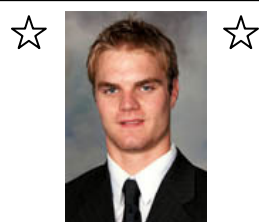
Coaches agree 08-09 will feature parity, and that was evident in the votes beyond SNC. UW-River Falls, UW-Stout and UW-Superior packed the two-three-four spots, respectively. UW-Stevens Point finished 5th, with St. Scholastica, the only other team receiving a first-place vote, in the six slot. UW-Eau Claire and Lake Forest were voted to finish 7th and 8th.

The Men's Division opens play next Thursday night when UW-Superior hosts Northland at Wessman Arena.

TOP RETURNING POINT LEADERS



*Derek Hanson
Jr, F, UW-Stout
Bemidji, MN
22 Goals, 20 Assists
42 Points*



*Matt Boyd
Jr, F, St. Norbert
St. Albert, Alberta
17 Goals, 22 Assists
39 Points*



*Derek Hansberry
Sr, F, UW-River Falls
Arvada, CO
19 Goals, 19 Assists
38 Points*

Upcoming Games - Full schedules on page 4

	Date	Visitor	Home	Start Time
Thu	Oct 23	Northland	UW-Superior	7:05 pm
Fri	Oct 24	Lake Forest	MSOE	7:00 pm
Fri	Oct 24	UW-Stout	Concordia-Wis.	7:00 pm
Fri	Oct 24	Marian	UW-River Falls	7:05 pm
Sat	Oct 25	St. Scholastica	UW-Eau Claire	7:00 pm
Sat	Oct 25	MSOE	Lake Forest	7:30 pm
Sat	Oct 25	Marian	UW-Stout	7:30 pm
Sat	Oct 25	Northland	UW-Stevens Point	7:30 pm
Tue	Oct 28	St. Norbert	Lawrence	7:00 pm
Tue	Oct 28	Finlandia	UW-Superior	7:05 pm

TEAM NOTES

LAKE FOREST COLLEGE, coached by Tony Fritz, 31st season

Overall: 3-23-1 NCHA: 1-13-0 Home: 0-12-0 Road: 2-11-1 Neutral: 1-0-0 OT: 0-1-1
Oct: 0-2-0 Nov: 1-6-1 Dec: 0-3-0 Jan: 1-6-0 Feb: 1-6-0 Mar: 0-0-0

Last week:

Current Streak: Lost 6 Last 4 games: 0-4-0 Last 8 games: 1-7-0

Upcoming Games: Fri @ MSOE (MCHA) ... Sat vs. MSOE (MCHA)

* Head coach Tony Fritz ranks first among NCHA coaches in victories with 337 (over 30 seasons)

* 07-08 season ended in 1st round playoff series loss to eventual national champion SNC

* Looking for scoring in 08-09 after scoring 2 goals or less in 22 of 27 games last year ... 0-4 in 1-goal games

* First-team all-NCHA goaltender Scott Campbell returns (.908 save % in 16 starts)

For more info, visit <http://www.lakeforest.edu/foresters/hockey/~index.htm>

ST. NORBERT COLLEGE, coached by Tim Coghlin, 16th season

Overall: 27-1-4 NCHA: 10-0-4 Home: 15-1-2 Road: 7-0-2 Neutral: 5-0-0 OT: 4-0-4
Oct: 1-0-0 Nov: 5-1-1 Dec: 5-0-0 Jan: 6-0-1 Feb: 5-0-2 Mar: 5-0-0

Last week:

Current Streak: Won 8 Last 4 games: 4-0-0 Last 8 games: 8-0-0

Upcoming Games: Tue, Oct 28 @ Lawrence (MCHA) ... Fri, Oct 31 @ Gustavus (MIAC) ... Sat, Nov 1 @ St. Olaf (MIAC)

* 29-game unbeaten streak, 8-game win streak into 08-09 season (last loss: Nov 3, 2007 vs. Gustavus)

* Went to OT 8 times last year, going 4-0-4 ... Won Peters Cup title game and opening NCAA tournament game, both in OT

* 8-0 record in 1-goal games ... held opponents to 2 goals or less in 26 of 32 games, including 10 shutouts

* 2-to-watch: Jr F Matt Boyd (17-22-39, all-NCHA first team), So D Nick Tabisz (9-15-24, all-NCHA first team)

For more info, visit <http://www.snc.edu/athletics/hockey/>

COLLEGE OF ST. SCHOLASTICA, coached by Mark Wick, 5th season

Overall: 10-13-5 NCHA: 4-7-3 Home: 4-9-1 Road: 5-4-4 Neutral: 1-0-0 OT: 1-0-5
Oct: 0-1-0 Nov: 2-4-2 Dec: 2-2-0 Jan: 4-3-0 Feb: 2-2-3 Mar: 0-1-0

Last week:

Current Streak: Lost 1 Last 4 games: 1-1-2 Last 8 games: 2-3-3

Upcoming Games: Sat @ UWEC ... Fri, Oct 31 @ St. Mary's (MIAC) ... Sat, Nov 1 @ St. Thomas (MIAC)

* 07-08 season ended with 1-0 loss to SNC in playoff semifinals ... Won opening round playoff series at UWRF

* 4-4 record in 1-goal games ... 3-3-1 vs. MIAC ... 1-1-1 in postseason

* 2nd most shots per game in conference, putting average of 34.39 SOG each night

* 2-to-watch: Jr F AJ Tucker (15-17-32), So F, Jordan Chong (11-10-21)

For more info, visit <http://www.csssaints.com/index.asp?path=mhockey&tab=mens>

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN – EAU CLAIRE, coached by Matt Loen, 2nd season

Overall: 11-16-1 NCHA: 6-7-1 Home: 5-6-1 Road: 0-0-0 Neutral: 6-9-0 OT: 0-0-0
Oct: 1-0-0 Nov: 3-4-0 Dec: 2-3-0 Jan: 2-5-0 Feb: 3-3-1 Mar: 0-1-0

Last week:

Current Streak: Lost 1 Last 4 games: 2-2-0 Last 8 games: 3-4-1

Upcoming Games: Sat vs. CSS ... Fri, Oct 31 @ St. John's (MIAC) ... Sat, Nov 1 @ Concordia (MIAC)

* Went 3-1-1 during pivotal 5-game stretch in Feb last season, giving up just 6 goals and posting 2 shutouts

* Peaked late last season, winning playoff quarterfinal series at UWS

* 07-08 record in 1-goal games: 1-7

* Jr D Greg Petersen returns (5-13-18, all-NCHA first team)

For more info, visit <http://www.uwec.edu/Athletics/mhky>

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN – RIVER FALLS, coached by Steve Freeman, 13th season

Overall: 16-7-4	NCHA: 8-5-1	Home: 11-3-2	Road: 5-4-2	Neutral: 0-0-0	OT: 1-1-4
Oct: 1-0-0	Nov: 5-1-2	Dec: 2-1-0	Jan: 6-1-0	Feb: 2-4-1	Mar: 0-0-0

Last week:

Current Streak: Tied 1 Last 4 games: 2-1-1 Last 8 games: 2-5-1

Upcoming Games: Fri vs. Marian (MCHA) ... Fri, Oct 31 @ Hamline (MIAC)

- * Started 07-08 with 4 straight wins and 5-0-3 record
- * Scored 5+ goals in 17 of 27 games last year
- * 6-1-2 vs. MIAC last season, 2-0-0 vs. MCHA ... 4-2 record in 1-goal games
- * Top Returners: Sr F Derek Hansberry (19-19-38), Sr F Pat Borgestad (23-13-36), Sr F Dustin Norman (13-17-30)

For more info, visit <http://www.uwrf.edu/sports/menhockey.home.php>**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN – STEVENS POINT**, coached by Wil Nichol, 2nd season

Overall: 14-9-4	NCHA: 5-6-3	Home: 8-3-2	Road: 6-6-2	Neutral: 0-0-0	OT: 0-0-4
Oct: 0-0-0	Nov: 5-3-0	Dec: 3-2-1	Jan: 5-0-1	Feb: 1-4-2	Mar: 0-0-0

Last week:

Current Streak: Lost 3 Last 4 games: 0-3-1 Last 8 games: 1-4-3

Upcoming Games: Sat vs. Northland (MCHA) ... Fri, Oct 31 @ Concordia (MIAC) ... Sat, Nov 1 @ St. John's (MIAC)

- * Held opponents to 2 goals or less 14 straight games Dec 9 – Feb 16 ... 8-2-3 record during that stretch
- * 6-1-0 vs. MIAC last year
- * Posted back-to-back shutouts twice in 07-08: Dec 9-11 (at Northland, vs. UWEC), Nov 17-24 (vs. LFC, vs. Concordia-Wis)
- * Players to watch: Jr F Josh Calleja (10-17-27), Jr F Pat Lee (15-9-24), So G Tom Speer (2.00, .928)

For more info, visit <http://athletics.uwsp.edu/index.asp?path=mhockey&tab=menssports>**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN – STOUT**, coached by Terry Watkins, 13th season

Overall: 18-9-3	NCHA: 7-5-2	Home: 11-3-1	Road: 6-6-2	Neutral: 1-0-0	OT: 1-2-3
Oct: 3-0-0	Nov: 6-1-1	Dec: 2-1-0	Jan: 2-4-0	Feb: 4-1-2	Mar: 1-2-0

Last week:

Current Streak: Lost 2 Last 4 games: 2-2-0 Last 8 games: 4-3-1

Upcoming Games: Fri @ Concordia-Wis (MCHA) ... Sat vs. Marian (MCHA)

- * Played eleven 1-goal games last year: 6-5 record
- * Earned at-large bid to NCAA tournament, falling 4-1 at St. Thomas on Mar 12
- * Opened 07-08 season with 7 straight wins, all against non-conference opponents
- * Led league in total scoring, netting 124 goals in 30 games (4.13/game) ... Leading scorer: Jr F Derek Hanson (22-20-42)

For more info, visit <http://www3.uwstout.edu/athletics/hockey/index.cfm>**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN – SUPERIOR**, coached by Dan Stauber, 9th season

Overall: 13-6-8	NCHA: 6-4-4	Home: 7-4-4	Road: 6-2-4	Neutral: 0-0-0	OT: 2-0-7
Oct: 0-0-0	Nov: 3-1-4	Dec: 2-2-0	Jan: 3-1-1	Feb: 3-1-3	Mar: 0-0-0

Last week:

Current Streak: Won 1 Last 4 games: 1-1-2 Last 8 games: 4-1-3

Upcoming Games: Thu vs. Northland (MCHA) ... Tue, Oct 28 vs. Finlandia ... Fri, Oct 31 @ St. Thomas ... Sat, Nov 1 @ St. Mary's

- * 9 OT games in 07-08, going 2-0-7
- * Lost mini-game to UWEC on Feb 23, ending season
- * Least penalized team in NCHA last season
- * Top returners: Sr F Kevin Huck (11-12-23), So F Logan Isley (10-10-20)
- * Note game time change from original schedule: Jan 10 @ St. Olaf will now start at 2:00 pm

For more info, visit <http://www.uwsuper.edu/athletics/mens/hockey/index.cfm>

Lake Forest (0-0-0, 0-0-0)		
Oct 24	at MSOE	7:05 pm
Oct 25	vs. MSOE	7:30 pm
Oct 31	at St. Olaf	7:00 pm
Nov 1	at Gustavus	7:05 pm
Nov 7	vs. St. John's	7:30 pm
Nov 8	vs. CC (MN)	7:30 pm
Nov 14	vs. UWEC	7:30 pm
Nov 15	vs. UWSP	7:30 pm
Nov 21	at UWS	7:05 pm
Nov 22	at CSS	7:05 pm
Nov 25	vs. Lawrence	7:30 pm
Dec 5	at UWRF	7:00 pm
Dec 6	at UW-Stout	3:00 pm
Jan 3	vs. CUW (WI)	7:30 pm
Jan 4	at CUW (WI)	3:00 pm
Jan 9	at St. Mary's	7:05 pm
Jan 10	at St. Thomas	7:00 pm
Jan 17	at SNC	7:00 pm
Jan 23	at UWSP	7:30 pm
Jan 24	at UWEC	7:00 pm
Jan 30	vs. CSS	7:30 pm
Jan 31	vs. UWS	7:30 pm
Feb 6	vs. UW-Stout	7:30 pm
Feb 7	vs. UWRF	7:30 pm
Feb 14	vs. SNC	7:30 pm

Tony Fritz (337-391-40)

UW-Superior (0-0-0, 0-0-0)		
Oct 23	vs. Northland	7:05 pm
Oct 28	vs. Finlandia	7:05 pm
Oct 31	at St. Thomas	7:00 pm
Nov 1	at St. Mary's	7:05 pm
Nov 7	vs. Hamline	7:05 pm
Nov 8	vs. Augsburg	7:05 pm
Nov 14	at UW-Stout	7:30 pm
Nov 15	at UWRF	7:05 pm
Nov 21	vs. LFC	7:05 pm
Nov 22	vs. SNC	7:05 pm
Nov 26	at Bethel	7:05 pm
Nov 29	vs. MSEO	5:05 pm
Dec 5	at UWSP	7:30 pm
Dec 6	at UWEC	7:00 pm
Dec 13	at Finlandia	6:00 pm
Jan 9	at Gustavus	7:05 pm
Jan 10	at St. Olaf	2:00 pm
Jan 17	at CSS	7:00 pm
Jan 23	vs. UWRF	7:05 pm
Jan 24	vs. UW-Stout	7:05 pm
Jan 30	at SNC	7:00 pm
Jan 31	at LFC	7:30 pm
Feb 6	vs. UWEC	7:05 pm
Feb 7	vs. UWSP	7:05 pm
Feb 13	vs. CSS	7:05 pm

Dan Stauber (160-48-31)

UW-Eau Claire (0-0-0, 0-0-0)		
Oct 25	vs. CSS (nc)	7:00 pm
Oct 31	at St. John's	7:00 pm
Nov 1	at CC (MN)	7:00 pm
Nov 7	vs. St. Thomas	7:00 pm
Nov 8	vs. St. Mary's	7:00 pm
Nov 14	at LFC	7:30 pm
Nov 15	at SNC	7:00 pm
Nov 21	vs. UWRF	7:00 pm
Nov 22	at UW-Stout	7:30 pm
Dec 5	vs. CSS	7:00 pm
Dec 6	vs. UWS	7:00 pm
Dec 12	vs. Augsburg	7:00 pm
Dec 13	at Bethel	7:00 pm
Jan 2	vs. St. Olaf	7:00 pm
Jan 3	vs. Crookston	7:00 pm
Jan 9	at Hamline	7:15 pm
Jan 10	at Augsburg	7:00 pm
Jan 17	vs. UWSP	7:00 pm
Jan 23	vs. SNC	7:00 pm
Jan 24	vs. LFC	7:00 pm
Jan 30	vs. UW-Stout	7:00 pm
Jan 31	at UWRF	7:05 pm
Feb 6	at UWS	7:05 pm
Feb 7	at CSS	7:05 pm
Feb 14	at UWSP	7:30 pm

Matt Loen (11-16-1)

UW-River Falls (0-0-0, 0-0-0)		
Oct 24	vs. Marian	7:05 pm
Oct 31	at Hamline	7:15 pm
Nov 7	vs. St. Olaf	7:05 pm
Nov 8	at Gustavus	7:05 pm
Nov 14	vs. CSS	7:05 pm
Nov 15	vs. UWS	7:05 pm
Nov 21	at UWEC	7:00 pm
Nov 22	at UWSP	7:30 pm
Nov 25	vs. Marian	7:05 pm
Dec 5	vs. LFC	7:05 pm
Dec 6	vs. SNC	7:05 pm
Dec 10	vs. Bethel	7:05 pm
Dec 13	vs. Augsburg	7:05 pm
Jan 3	vs. St. Thomas	7:05 pm
Jan 7	at CC (MN)	7:00 pm
Jan 9	vs. St. John's	7:05 pm
Jan 16	vs. UW-Stout	7:05 pm
Jan 17	at St. Mary's	7:05 pm
Jan 23	at UWS	7:05 pm
Jan 24	at CSS	7:05 pm
Jan 30	vs. UWSP	7:05 pm
Jan 31	vs. UWEC	7:05 pm
Feb 6	at SNC	7:00 pm
Feb 7	at LFC	7:30 pm
Feb 13	at UW-Stout	7:30 pm

Steve Freeman (236-98-25)

St. Norbert (0-0-0, 0-0-0)		
Oct 28	at Lawrence	7:00 pm
Oct 31	at Gustavus	7:05 pm
Nov 1	at St. Olaf	2:00 pm
Nov 7	vs. CC (MN)	7:00 pm
Nov 8	vs. St. John's	7:00 pm
Nov 14	vs. UWSP	7:00 pm
Nov 15	vs. UWEC	7:00 pm
Nov 21	at CSS	7:05 pm
Nov 22	at UWS	7:05 pm
Nov 28	vs. Oswego St.	7:00 pm
Nov 29	vs. Lawrence	7:00 pm
Dec 5	at UW-Stout	7:30 pm
Dec 6	at UWRF	7:05 pm
Jan 2	vs. MSOE	7:00 pm
Jan 3	at MSOE	7:00 pm
Jan 9	at St. Thomas	7:00 pm
Jan 10	at St. Mary's	7:00 pm
Jan 17	vs. LFC	7:00 pm
Jan 23	at UWEC	7:00 pm
Jan 24	at UWSP	7:30 pm
Jan 30	vs. UWS	7:00 pm
Jan 31	vs. CSS	7:00 pm
Feb 6	vs. UWRF	7:00 pm
Feb 7	vs. UW-Stout	7:00 pm
Feb 14	at LFC	7:30 pm

Tim Coghlin (322-92-35)

St. Scholastica (0-0-0, 0-0-0)		
Oct 25	at UWEC (nc)	7:00 pm
Oct 31	at St. Mary's	7:05 pm
Nov 1	at St. Thomas	7:00 pm
Nov 7	vs. Augsburg	7:05 pm
Nov 8	vs. Hamline	7:05 pm
Nov 14	at UWRF	7:05 pm
Nov 15	at UW-Stout	7:30 pm
Nov 21	vs. SNC	7:05 pm
Nov 22	vs. LFC	7:05 pm
Nov 28	vs/at Lawrence	3:30 pm
Nov 29	vs/at Oswego	3:30 pm
Dec 5	at UWEC	7:00 pm
Dec 6	at UWSP	7:30 pm
Jan 3	vs. Northland	7:05 pm
Jan 9	at St. Olaf	7:00 pm
Jan 10	at Gustavus	7:05 pm
Jan 13	at Northland	7:05 pm
Jan 17	vs. UWS	7:05 pm
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Jan 30	at LFC	7:30 pm
Jan 31	at SNC	7:00 pm
Feb 6	vs. UWSP	7:05 pm
Feb 7	vs. UWEC	7:05 pm
Feb 13	at UWS	7:05 pm

Mark Wick (45-53-13)

UW-Stevens Point (0-0-0, 0-0-0)		
Oct 25	vs. Northland	7:30 pm
Oct 31	at CC (MN)	7:00 pm
Nov 1	at St. John's	2:00 pm
Nov 7	vs. St. Mary's	7:30 pm
Nov 8	vs. St. Thomas	7:30 pm
Nov 14	at SNC	7:00 pm
Nov 15	at LFC	7:30 pm
Nov 21	vs. UW-Stout	7:30 pm
Nov 22	vs. UWRF	7:30 pm
Nov 29	vs. Finlandia	7:30 pm
Dec 5	vs. UWS	7:30 pm
Dec 6	vs. CSS	7:30 pm
Dec 13	vs. Gustavus	7:30 pm
Jan 2	vs. Crookston	7:30 pm
Jan 3	vs. St. Olaf	7:30 pm
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Jan 17	at UWEC	7:00 pm
Jan 23	vs. LFC	7:30 pm
Jan 24	vs. SNC	7:30 pm
Jan 30	at UWRF	7:05 pm
Jan 31	at UW-Stout	7:30 pm
Feb 6	at CSS	7:05 pm
Feb 7	at UWS	7:05 pm
Feb 14	vs. UWEC	7:30 pm

Wil Nichol (14-9-4)

UW-Stout (0-0-0, 0-0-0)		
Oct 24	at CUW (WI)	7:00 pm
Oct 25	vs. Marian	7:30 pm
Oct 31	at Augsburg	7:00 pm
Nov 1	at Hamline	7:15 pm
Nov 4	at Northland	7:05 pm
Nov 7	vs. Gustavus	7:30 pm
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Jan 16	at UWRF	7:05 pm
Jan 19	vs. St. Mary's	7:30 pm
Jan 23	at CSS	7:05 pm
Jan 24	at UWS	7:05 pm
Jan 30	at UWEC	7:00 pm
Jan 31	vs. UWSP	7:30 pm
Feb 6	at LFC	7:30 pm
Feb 7	at SNC	7:00 pm
Feb 13	vs. UWRF	7:30 pm

Terry Watkins (140-171-18)

All Times Central