



2006-07 Bearcat Athletic Weekly



Northwest athletics from March 5-13

Northwest Schedule for March 5-13

• Wednesday, March 7

Baseball vs. Nebraska-Omaha (@ Rockhurst), 1 p.m.
Tennis (W) hosts Missouri Western, 3 p.m.

• Friday, March 9

WBB vs. W. Texas A&M, 3 p.m. (NCAA Tournament)
#24 Softball at Missouri Southern Tournament
Tennis (M) at Drury, 3 p.m.

Indoor Track & Field at NCAA Nationals, Boston

• Saturday, March 10

Tennis (W) at Drury, 9 a.m.
Tennis (M) vs. Ouachita Baptist, 10 a.m. (@ Drury)
Tennis (W) vs. Cowley County CC, 2 p.m. (@ Drury)

#24 Softball at Missouri Southern Tournament
Baseball hosts Minnesota-Crookston, 12 p.m.
Indoor Track & Field at NCAA Nationals, Boston
WBB in NCAA Regional Semifinals, 6 p.m.
MBB vs. Pittsburg State, 8:30 p.m. (NCAA Tournament)

• Sunday, March 11

Baseball hosts Minnesota-Crookston, 12 p.m.
MBB in NCAA Regional Semifinals, 7:30 p.m.

• Monday, March 12

WBB in NCAA Regional Final, 7 p.m.

• Tuesday, March 13

MBB in NCAA Regional Final, 7 p.m.

Northwest Winter Notables

BASEBALL

- Received votes in DII Baseball Preseason Poll (Jan. 11)

MEN'S BASKETBALL

- MIAA Regular Season Champions (11th overall)
- No. 13 in the NABC Coaches' Poll (Feb. 27)
- No. 4 in the South Central Region (March 4)
- No. 7 in the DII Bulletin Preseason Poll (Oct. 12)
- MIAA Co-Player of the Week
Hunter Henry (So.) -- Jan. 2
- MIAA Player of the Week
Lance Sullivan (Fr.) -- Jan. 30
Hunter Henry -- Feb. 5
Hunter Henry -- Feb. 19
Hunter Henry -- Feb. 26
- CoSIDA Academic All-District Third Team
Andy Peterson -- Feb. 8
- MIAA Most Valuable Player
Hunter Henry
- MIAA First Team
Hunter Henry (Unanimous)
- MIAA Second Team
Lance Sullivan
- MIAA Freshman of the Year
Lance Sullivan
- MIAA Defensive Team
John Hawkins
- MIAA All-Tournament
Hunter Henry

MEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

- NCAA Championship Qualifiers (March 9-10)
Bayo Adio - High Jump (6' 11 1/2")
Diezeas Calbert - Triple Jump (48' 8 1/4")
Eric Isley - 800-meters (1:51.67)
- Individual school record-holder
Bayo Adio - High Jump (6' 11 1/2")
- MIAA Champions
E. Isley - 800-meter 1:57.60
K. Wright - Long Jump 23-02.00
D. Calbert - Triple Jump 47-09.75



QUICK HITTERS

• **Men's Basketball:** The Bearcats are the No. 4 seed in the upcoming South Central Region Tournament in Warrensburg, Mo. They face No. 5 seed Pittsburg State on Saturday at 8:30 p.m. The postseason appearance is the 11th overall and seventh in the last eight years.

• **Women's Basketball:** Northwest is going to its fourth NCAA Tournament and first since 2004 as it takes on No. 2 seed West Texas A&M on Friday at 3 p.m. from St. Joseph, Mo. The Bearcats are in their fourth regional tournament and stand 1-3 overall.

Baseball

Overall Record: 3-7 / 0-0 MIAA

Last Week: L, 1-2 vs. No. 14 West Florida Feb. 26 (9 innings)
L, 3-10 vs. No. 14 West Florida, Feb. 27 (9 innings)
L, 2-3 vs. No. 14 West Florida, Feb. 28 (9 innings)
L, 0-3 vs. No. 14 West Florida, Feb. 28 (7 innings)
L, 3-5 vs. No. 18 Montevallo, March 2 (9 innings)
L, 6-11 vs. No. 18 Montevallo, March 3 (9 innings)

This Week: vs. Nebraska-Omaha @ Rockhurst, 1:00 p.m., March 7 (2 games)
at NMSU vs. Minnesota-Crookston, 12:00 p.m., March 10 (2-7)
at NMSU vs. Minnesota-Crookston, 12:00 p.m., March 11 (2-7)

NOTES: Northwest will reschedule the two games versus Nebraska-Omaha on Tuesday, March 6 and Wednesday, March 7. The games will be played as a doubleheader at 1 p.m. in Kansas City at the Rockhurst University field. The home series against Minnesota-Crookston is still scheduled to be played in Maryville, Mo. on March 10th and 11th at noon. Northwest wrapped up its spring trip with an 11-6 loss to No. 18 Montevallo on March 3rd. It was the sixth consecutive loss for Northwest, all to ranked teams. Northwest hit .188 as a team during the six-game spring trip. Conversely, the pitching staff allowed just 22 earned runs in 46 innings pitched and posted a 4.60 ERA. Northwest knocked three home runs during the trip; one apiece from **Jake Bradshaw**, **Chris Benham** and **Britt Westman**. Evan Nickell posted a 1.63 ERA in three relief appearances. In the four game series with West Florida, the pitching staff posted a 3.60 ERA allowing just 10 runs in 33 innings, excluding a six-run inning in game two. In the Montevallo two-game set, Northwest pitching was knocked around a bit more allowing a run an inning. Benham drove in three runs and **Ben Malick** another two in the set.

#13 Men's Basketball

Overall Record: 23-6 / 15-3 MIAA (MIAA Regular Season Co-Champions)

Last Week: W, 89-56 vs. Missouri Southern, March 1 (MIAA 1st Round)

L, 76-70 vs. Pittsburg State, March 3 (MIAA Semifinals)
This Week: vs. No. 5 Pittsburg State, 8:30 p.m., March 10 (NCAA Regionals)
in South Central Region Semifinals, 7:30 p.m., March 11
in South Central Region Championship, 7 p.m., March 13

NOTES: The Northwest men's basketball team is playing at least one more weekend by earning the No. 4 seed in South Central Regional Tournament, hosted by No. 1 seed Central Missouri. The Bearcats take on No. 5 seed Pittsburg State on Saturday at 8:30 p.m. with the winner taking on the Central Missouri / St. Edwards (Texas) winner on Sunday at 7:30 p.m. The Tournament is the 11th overall and seventh in the last eight seasons for the Bearcats. At the MIAA Tournament last weekend, Northwest set a Tournament record with 36 free throws in taking down No. 8 seed Missouri Southern 89-56 in first-round action. The Bearcats poured on the scoring after the break putting in 20 of the half's first 23 points and expanding a 39-24 lead at the break. Sophomore **Hunter Henry**, who was named to the All-Tournament Team, led all players with 20 points on 14-of-14 free throw shooting. His FT performance tied a Tournament accuracy record (1.000) and his 14 made tied for fifth in Northwest single-game records. Senior **Reggie Robinson** collected 15 points and a team-high five assists and junior **Andy Peterson** had 14 on 5-of-5 shooting. In semifinal action, No. 5 seed Pittsburg State used a +16 rebounding advantage to take out No. 1 seed Northwest 76-70. In the three games against Northwest this season, PSU has held a +52 edge on the glass. Henry went for his 12th game over 20 points leading all scorers with 21 and a team-best eight rebounds. Freshman **Lance Sullivan** contributed 16 points and four assists.

Women's Basketball

Overall Record: 18-11 / 10-8 MIAA

Last Week: W, 77-54 vs. Missouri Southern, March. 2 (MIAA Tournament)

L, 58-68 vs. Missouri Western, March, 3 (MIAA Semifinals)
This Week: vs. West Texas A&M 3:00 p.m., March 9 (South Central Regional)
in South Central Region Semifinals, 6 p.m., March 10
in South Central Region Championship, 7 p.m., March 12

NOTES: Northwest will take on West Texas A&M Friday, March 9 in the NCAA Division II South Central Regional Tournament at Missouri Western Fieldhouse at 3 p.m. It is just the fourth ever NCAA Division II Tournament appearance. No. 4 seed Northwest advanced to its first MIAA Tournament Semifinal appearance since 2004 with a 77-54 over No. 5 seed Missouri Southern in the opening round on Friday. Senior **Katie O'Grady** led the Bearcats with 14 points, shooting four-of-



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MEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD (cont...)

- All-MIAA
 - S. Cook 3rd 60-meter dash 6.97
 - S. Cook 2nd 200-meter dash 22.05
 - E. Isley 1st 800-meter 1:57.60
 - M. Pohren 4th 3K-meter 8:43.78
 - M. Pohren 2nd 5K-meter 15:17.35
 - K. Berry 5th 60-meter hurdles 8.37
 - K. Wright 6th 60-meter hurdles 8.46
 - B. Adio 2nd High Jump 6-11.50
 - B. Houston 6th High Jump 6-04.75
 - C. Ingram 5th Pole Vault 15-01.75
 - K. Wright 1st Long Jump 23-02.00
 - S. Cook 3rd Long Jump 22-03.00
 - D. Calbert 1st Triple Jump 47-09.75
 - B. Adio 5th Triple Jump 46-02.50
 - I. Urum-Eke 6th Triple Jump 45-02.50
- Team ranked 8th nationally in D2Rankings.com (Feb. 14)

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- No. 7 in the South Central Region (March 4)
- Winstead-Reeves Classic All-Tournament
 - Mandi Schumacher (MVP)
 - Meghan Brue
- Western Washington Lynda Goodrich Classic All-Tournament
 - Mandi Schumacher
 - Kelli Nelson
- MIAA Honorable Mention
 - Meghan Brue
 - Mandi Schumacher
- MIAA Defensive Team
 - Lauren Williams

SOFTBALL

- No. 24 in the NFCA Preseason Coaches' Poll (Jan. 31)

WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

- Individual school record-holder
 - Hannah Henry - 60-meter hurdles (9.09)
- All-MIAA
 - K. Cook 4th 60-meter hurdles 7.81
 - K. Cook 4th 200-meter dash 25.73
 - A. Bailey 4th 400-meter dash 1:00.65
 - A. O'Brien 3rd 1 Mile 5:15.32
 - K. Raffety 6th 600 yard run 1:34.18
 - A. O'Brien 5th 3K-meter 10:40.75
 - H. Henry 2nd 60-meter hurdles 9.09
 - C. Dightman 5th 60-meter hurdles 9.18
 - J. Avilex 6th 60-meter hurdles 9.26
 - T. Eaton 2nd High Jump 5-06.00
 - B. Honeywell 3rd Long Jump 17-06.75
 - L. Biermann 6th Triple Jump 36-08.50
 - 4x440 Relay
 - Distance Medley Relay

nine from the three-point line. Junior guard **April Miller** set career-highs with eight assists and five steals to lead Northwest in both categories. Miller led the team with nine rebounds, tying her career-high. Sophomore guard **Meghan Brue** posted her second double-double (15 points, 10 rebounds) of the season, but it wouldn't be enough as Northwest fell 68-58 to the No. 1 seed Missouri Western in the semifinals on Saturday. Junior **Kelli Nelson** scored 13 and O'Grady 12 to round out Bearcats with 10 or more points. Brue also recorded a career-high two blocked shots.

#24 Softball

Overall Record: 3-0 / 0-0 MIAA
Last Week: Missouri Western Tournament Cancelled
This Week: vs. Missouri-St. Louis, March 9, 1:30 p.m. (MSSU Tournament)
 vs. Oklahoma City, March 9, 4:30 p.m. (MSSU Tournament)
 vs. Arkansas Tech, March 9, 7:30 p.m. (MSSU Tournament)
 Bracket Play, March 10 (MSSU Tournament)

NOTES: The No. 24 Northwest softball team is scheduled to play at the Missouri Southern Tournament, March 9-10, weather permitting. Last weekend's Missouri Western Tournament was cancelled due to wet weather conditions. Northwest opened up coach **Ryan Anderson's** first season with a bang going 3-0 at the Evangel Tournament (Feb. 23). Northwest fell behind 6-0 after the top of the second inning against Concordia (Neb.), but was able to string together four consecutive hits in the second frame and score eight runs. Sophomore pitcher **Cola Krueger** pitched a complete game to take the 10-6 win, striking out 10 players. Northwest took the second game in five innings against Columbia (Mo.), 10-2. Senior **Sarah Johnson** recorded the first home run of the season providing a 3-0 advantage in the second inning. The Northwest bats exploded in the fourth inning, with home runs from freshman **Erin Leslie** and sophomore **Megan Simpson** taking the lead to 10-2, where it would stand. In Game 3, the Bearcats were able to remain undefeated after a 2-0 victory over Rogers (Okla.) State. Both runs came in the third inning, provided by a double from freshman **Kayla Ballard**, who was driven in by a single from senior **Linellis Santiago-Bernier**.

Men's and Women's Tennis

Overall Record: No. 40 Men: 3-0 / 0-0 MIAA
 Women: 2-0 / 0-0 MIAA
Last Week: Men-W 6-3 vs. Metro (Colo.) State, March 2
 Women-W 5-1 vs. Metro (Colo.) State, March 2
 Men-W 5-0 vs. Colorado State-Pueblo, March 3
 Women-W 8-1 vs. Colorado State-Pueblo, March 3
 Men-W 5-0 vs. Mesa (Colo.) State, March 3
This Week: Women host Missouri Western, March 7, 3 p.m.
 Men at No. 3 Drury, March 9, 3 p.m.
 Women at No. 10 Drury, March 10, 9 a.m.
 Men vs. No. 5 Ouachita Baptist (Ark.), March 10, 10 a.m.
 Women vs. Cowley (Kan.) College, March 10, 2 p.m.

NOTES: The women will open the 2007 home schedule on March 7, hosting Missouri Western in a 3 p.m. match. Both squads will travel to Drury (Mo.) University in Springfield, Mo., for a weekend of matches. The men will take the court against No. 3 Drury on March 9 at 3 p.m. and play No. 5 Ouachita Baptist (Ark.) at 9 a.m. on March 10. The women will play No. 10 Drury in a 9 a.m. match on March 10 before competing with Cowley (Kan.) College at 2 p.m. Both Northwest Missouri State tennis teams remain undefeated through the RMAC/MIAA Invitational held at Topeka, Kan., last weekend. The Bearcat men shutout Colorado State-Pueblo and Mesa (Colo.) State 5-0 on and defeated Metropolitan (Colo.) State 6-3. Junior **Lucas Ariboni** and freshman **Felipe Gennari** won all three No. 3 doubles matches over the weekend. Ariboni and Gennari were the only players to play three singles matches to completion, each winning all three. The women opened the season with wins over Metropolitan State (5-1) and Colorado State-Pueblo (8-1). Freshman **Veronica Castilla** and sophomore **Lina Gomez** went 2-0 in No. 1 doubles action. Gomez and sophomore **Jordan Lipira** also finished 2-0 in singles competition last weekend.

Indoor Track and Field

Last Week: Off
This Week: Men at NCAA Championships, March 9-10 @ Boston, Mass.

NOTES: The Northwest Missouri State men's track and field will send three athletes to the NCAA Indoor Championships held March 9-10 in Boston, Mass. Seniors **Eric Isley**, **Bayo Adio** and **Diezeas Calbert** will each be making their second trip to the championships. Isley will compete in the preliminaries of the 800-meter at 6:40 p.m. on March 9, with finals scheduled for 5:08 p.m. on Saturday. Isley enters with the third-fastest time in the nation (1:51.67). He finished 12th in the event at last year's championships. Adio will be the first in action for Northwest, competing in the finals of the high jump at 1:30 p.m. on Friday. The school-record holder, Adio stands sixth in nationwide performance lists with 6-11.5. Calbert will compete in the finals of the triple jump on March 10 at 1:30 p.m., qualifying with 48-8.25. Calbert finished 10th in the 2005 NCAA Championships in the event. The top eight finishers in each event earn All-America honors.