

Montana State Billings Women's Basketball

Weekly Release - November 26, 2008

2008-09 Schedule

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NOVEMBER

4	at Rocky Mountain (Exh.)	W, 94-71
7	Montana Western (Exh.)	W, 90-75
11	Rocky Mountain (Exh.)	W, 92-62
15	COLORADO STATE PUEBLO	W, 91-81
21	UNIVERSITY OF MARY	L, 70-73
23	COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES	W, 91-82
28	vs. Minnesota-Crookston!	4:00 p.m.
29	at University of Mary!	3:00 p.m.

DECEMBER

6	METRO STATE	2:00 P.M.
15	at Hawaii Pacific	5:00 p.m.
17	vs. Shepherd#	10:00 a.m.
18	vs. Chaminade#	Noon

JANUARY

2	at Metro State	3:00 p.m.
3	at Colorado State Pueblo	6:00 p.m.
7	NORTHWEST NAZARENE*	7:00 P.M.
10	SEATTLE PACIFIC*	7:00 P.M.
14	ALASKA FAIRBANKS*	7:00 P.M.
17	WESTERN OREGON*	2:00 P.M.
22	at Central Washington*	7:00 p.m.
24	at Western Washington*	2:00 p.m.
29	at Northwest Nazarene*	7:00 p.m.
31	at Seattle Pacific*	1:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY

7	ALASKA ANCHORAGE*	7:00 P.M.
12	at Saint Martin's*	5:15 p.m.
14	at Western Oregon*	2:00 p.m.
18	WESTERN WASHINGTON*	7:00 P.M.
21	CENTRAL WASHINGTON*	5:15 P.M.
26	SAINT MARTIN'S*	7:00 P.M.

MARCH

5	at Alaska Fairbanks*	7:30 p.m.
7	at Alaska Anchorage*	5:15 p.m.
*	GNAC Match	
!	at Bismarck, N.D.	
#	Hoop & Surf Tournament - Honolulu, HI	

THIS WEEK: Montana State Billings hits the road to compete in the University of Mary Classic, Nov. 28-29 in Bismarck, N.D. The Yellowjackets will play Minnesota-Crookston on Nov. 28 and Mary on Nov. 29. The games are scheduled to start at 4:00 and 3:00 p.m., respectively.

UNIV. OF MARY: The Marauders are 2-1 on the season. They are coming off a 73-70 win over MSUB on Nov. 21. Sonny Schulz leads the team averaging 21 points and 6.3 rebounds while shooting 48.1% (FG), 46.2% (3-PT) and 92.9% (FT). Liz Sipma and Anne Skala are averaging 11 points a game each.

MINNESOTA-CROOKSTON: The Golden Eagles are 2-0 on the season. They have defeated Minnesota-Morris 91-75 and Crown, 111-47. Jamie Zelinsky leads the team averaging 16.5 points a game. Diana Taddy is averaging 15.5 points, 6.5 rebounds and 5.0 steals a game. This is the first meeting between the two schools.

PROBABLE STARTERS

MSUB (2-1)

- G - Alira Carpenter (5-8/Sr.)**
25 PPG, 6.0 RPG, 3.0 APG, 81.8% FT
- G - Shantell Marquis (5-10/Jr.)**
9.5 PPG, 6.5 APG, 5.0 SPG
- G - Jetton Meadors (5-8/Sr.)**
10 PPG, 3.2 APG, 57.1% FG
- F - Kayla Ryan (6-1/So.)**
10.7 PPG, 7.3 RPG
- F - Jen Smith (5-10/Sr.)**
11 PPG, 9.3 RPG

MARY (2-1)

- G - Abby Bratlien (6-1/So.)**
2.1 PPG, 2.0 BPG
- G - Kayla Rogers (5-9/Jr.)**
4 PPG, 2.3 APG
- G - Maria Weigelt (5-7/Jr.)**
6.3 PPG, 2.3 APG
- C - Liz Sipma (6-2/Jr./)**
11 PPG, 80% FT
- F - Anna Skala (6-2/Sr.)**
11 PPG, 7.3 RPG, 50% FG

MINNESOTA-CROOKSTON (2-0)

- G - Diana Taddy (5-8/So.)**
15.5 PPG, 6.5 RPG, 5.0 SPG, 57.9% FG
- G - Jamie Zelinsky (5-11/So.)**
16.5 PPG, 4.5 APG
- C - Lauren Kessler (6-1/Fr.)**
9 PPG, 8.5 RPG, 4.0 BPG, 75% FG
- F - Gina Jaroszewski (5-11/So.)**
6 PPG
- F - Bri Zabel (6-0/So.)**
11.5 PPG, 50% FG

Montana State Billings Quick Facts

UNIVERSITY

Name: Montana State University Billings
Location: Billings, Mont.
Founded: 1927 (Formerly Eastern Montana College)
Enrollment: 4,799
Chancellor: Dr. Ronald Sexton
Director of Athletics: Dr. Gary Gray
Nickname: Yellowjackets
Colors: Navy Blue & Gold
Conference: Great Northwest Athletic Conference
Facility: Alterowitz Gym
Capacity: 3,500

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Kevin Woodin
E-Mail: kwoodin@msubillings.edu
Record at MSUB: 72-42, 4 yrs
Overall Record: 72-42, 4 yrs
Overall Record: Same
Assistant Coach: Natalie Visger
Volunteer Coaches: Lisa Jellum, Shawn O'Brien
Student Manager: Alexie Halvorson
Basketball Office Phone: 406-657-2368

TEAM INFORMATION

2007-08 Record: 11-16
GNAC Record/Finish: 8-10/5th
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/2
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1

BASKETBALL HISTORY

First Season: 1973-74
All-Time Record: 596-328 (35 years)
Conference Championships: 10
..... (1977, 78, 87, 91, 94, 96, 98, 99, 2006, 07)
NCAA Appearances: 11
..... (1987, 94, 96, 97, 98, 99, 2000, 02, 03, 05, 07)
AIAW National Appearances: 3 (1975, 76, 77)

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COACH WOODIN'S COMMENTS: "The University of Mary Tournament represents a great challenge for us. We do not know a lot about Crookston as this will be the first ever meeting. I do know they are much improved over the past two years and they have good size."

"Obviously, we know a great deal about Mary. We will need to defend the interior better and rebound more consistently than we did last weekend. It will take a great effort to come out on top in either game this week."

LAST WEEK: Montana State Billings experienced both agony and joy last week. Friday, Nov. 21, the University of Mary took a hard fought 73-70 win over the Yellowjackets. The Marauders were down seven with just eight minutes to go before coming back. Alira Carpenter scored 20 points while Shantel Marquis had 13 points, nine assists and seven steals. Jetton Meadors had a solid night with 12 points, five assists and two steals.

MSUB bounced back with a 91-82 win over Colorado School of Mines, Sunday, Nov. 23. The Jackets led by 26 points with 5:42 to go. The Orediggers put on a furious rally in which they out scored MSUB 23-6 the rest of the game. Four free throws in the last minute sealed the game.

For the Yellowjackets, Carpenter had 19 points while Kayla Ryan added 15. Meadors scored 15 points with Jen Smith pulling down nine rebounds. Mandy Jacobs was huge spark off the bench with 10 points and three triples.

QUEST FOR #1: Alira Carpenter already has two career records under her belt and is looking at a third. She needs 147 points to pass Tera Silvius (1992-95) as the all-time leading scorer. Carpenter is currently fifth with 1474 points. She hold the records for three-pointers made (222) and attempted (546). Carpenter is also taking aim at field goals made (528) and attempted (1236). She needs 152 and 154 respectively.

THE 400 CLUB: Jen Smith is closing in on joining the 400 club. No it is not any kind of social group. She needs 18 rebounds to become the 21st Yellowjacket to pull down 400 career boards.

NO LOVE FOR COLORADO: The last time a team from Colorado beat MSUB at home? Let's say George Bush was President of the U.S. Senior that is. On Feb. 24, 1990, Denver beat the Jackets 66-65. Since then, the Yellowjackets have won nine straight games against Colorado opponents.

GNAC POLL: Montana State Billings received 37 points to place sixth in the GNAC Pre-Season Poll. Complete poll is below.

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| 1. Alaska Anchorage (8) | 86 |
| 2. Seattle Pacific (1) | 67 |
| 3. Northwest Nazarene | 65 |
| 4. Western Washington | 55 |
| 5. Saint Martin's | 40 |
| 6. Montana State Billings | 37 |
| 7. Central Washington | 28 |
| 8. Western Oregon | 22 |
| 9. Alaska Fairbanks | 17 |



HEAD COACH

Kevin Woodin, 74-43, Fifth Season

Kevin Woodin enters his fifth season as the head women's basketball coach and his second year as head women's golf coach. He has posted a 72-42 overall record heading into the 2008-09 season, capturing two Heartland Conference regular season titles and one conference tournament championship. Twice, Coach Woodin has guided the Yellowjackets to the NCAA Tournament. During

the 2004-05 season, he was named the NCAA Division II Independent Coach of the Year. Woodin is currently the third winningest coach in MSUB history.

Woodin became the Lady Yellowjackets' eleventh head women's basketball coach when he took over on July 23, 2004. He had been the head girl's basketball coach at Billings West High School for the past ten seasons. In that time, he led the Lady Bears to a 138-81 record (.630), including back-to-back Class AA state titles in 2003 and 2004. Woodin's Bears were a perfect 23-0 in 2004's title run and won the final 36 games Woodin coached at the school. He earned Montana AA Coach of the Year honors in 2003 and 2004, and was a finalist for the award in 1999 and 2002.

A native of Libby, Mont., Woodin graduated with a degree in mathematics from Carroll College in 1987. While teaching and coaching at O'Dea High School in Seattle, he earned his masters degree in Athletic Administration from Seattle Pacific University in 1992. Woodin taught mathematics at O'Dea High School from 1987 to 1994 while also coaching boy's basketball, golf and tennis. He was named O'Dea's Outstanding Teacher of the year in 1990-1991 and the Metro League Golf Coach of the Year three times.

Woodin moved to Billings in 1994 to take over the girl's program at West High School where he has also taught mathematics. Along with leading the Lady Bears to State AA tournament hardware in four of his last six seasons, Woodin was also an assistant coach on the Montana All-Star Team and an Executive Committee member and coach for the Treasure State Classic. At West High, Woodin coached 19 players who went on to play collegiate basketball.

Before the Montana High School Association moved the girl's basketball season to the winter, Woodin was a part time assistant coach at MSU Billings from 2000-2003. Responsible for practice and game planning, recruiting, scouting, individual skill development, travel and coordinating the Billings Bees camps, Woodin helped the Lady Yellowjackets to two NCAA Tournament appearances in three seasons.

Woodin has been married to his wife Paula for 21 years, and they have three children; Kayleen (15), Toria (12) and Garrett (10). His parents, Pete and Loretta Erickson, formerly of Libby, Montana, reside in Sierra Vista, Arizona. Woodin is a member of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association, Montana Coaches Association and National Golf Coaches Association.

80 IS GOOD: Montana State Billings does not fear 80. In fact, we embrace it. In the history of women's basketball, 100 times the Yellowjackets have scored 80+ points at home and have never lost. Yes you heard me correctly. MSUB is 100-0 when scoring at least 80 points in Alterowitz Gym.

COUNTDOWN TO 100: Kevin Woodin is on track to becoming the third coach in school history to win 100 games. He is currently the third winningest coach in terms of victories with 74. Woodin trails Frank McCarthy (191) and Ted Anderson (102).

TWO FOR 600: Montana State Billings is closing in on a milestone. The yellowjackets are just two wins away from 600 career victories.

THIS WEEK IN MSUB HISTORY:

Nov. 29-30, 1991 - The Yellowjackets beat Montana Western 70-58 and Carroll 77-56 to win the Bulldog Classic.

Sherry McQuinn was named the tournament MVP as she has 54 points and 29 rebounds. She has 19 points, 13 rebounds and five steals against MWU and 35 points and 16 rebounds against CC.

November 30, 2002 - In a 63-58 win over Saint Martin's, Natalie Visger hits six free throws down the stretch to preserve the win. Visger finished with 23 points including a 15-of-17 performance from the charity stripe.

Visger's 15 free throws was second best in MSUB history. Shelley Altrogge hit 16 free throws against Denver in 1989-90 season.

Montana State Billings

No.	Name	HT	YR	Pos.	Hometown - Last School
11	Shantell Marquis	5-10	JR	G	Cascade, Mont. - C.M. Russell HS
13	Alira Carpenter*	5-8	SR	G	Lewiston, Mont. - Fergus County HS
14	Jetton Meadors	5-8	SR	G	Billings, Mont. - Billings Senior HS
21	Rachel Hansen	5-9	JR	G	Lolo, Mont. - Big Sky HS
22	Mandy Jacobs	5-10	SO	F	Shepherd, Mont. - Shepherd HS
25	Kalli Stanhope	5-6	FR	G	Glendive, Mont. - Dawson County HS
30	Quinn Halverson	5-4	SO	G	Shepherd, Mont. - Shepherd HS
33	Kayla McPherson	5-11	SR	F	Glendive, Mont. - Dawson County HS
34	Callie Kautzmann	5-10	FR	F	Nampa, Idaho - Vallivue HS
41	Jen Smith*	5-10	SR	F	Belgrade, Mont. - Belgrade HS
44	Kayla Ryan	6-1	SO	F	Big Timber, Mont. - Sweet Grass County HS
50	Melissa Porter	6-3	FR	P	Redmond, Utah - North Sevier HS
52	Laura Jo Kipp	6-0	FR	P	Browning, Mont. - Browning HS
*	Team Captains				

Head Coach – Kevin Woodin
Assistant Coach – Natalie Visger
Volunteer Coaches - Lisa Jellum, Shawn O'Brien
Student Manager - Alexi Halvorson

GNAC Standings - November 25, 2008



	Conference	Overall
Seattle Pacific	0-0	3-0
Alaska Anchorage	0-0	6-1
Saint Martin's	0-0	3-1
Western Washington	0-0	3-1
Montana State Billings	0-0	2-1
Northwest Nazarene	0-0	2-2
Western Oregon	0-0	2-2
Alaska Fairbanks	0-0	1-3
Central Washington	0-0	1-6

GNAC STATISTICS

INDIVIDUAL

3-Point Field Goals Made Per Game

T1.	Alira Carpenter	3.00
T9.	Mandy Jacobs	1.67

Assists

1.	Shantell Marquis	6.50
T6.	Jetton Meadors	3.67

Steals

1.	Shantell Marquis	5.00
T6.	Jetton Meadors	1.67

Field Goal Percentage

1.	Mandy Jacobs	.800
T4.	Jetton Meadors	.571

Scoring

1.	Alira Carpenter	25.0
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3-Point Percentage

2.	Mandy Jacobs	.833
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Rebounding

6.	Jen Smith	9.3
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Blocked Shots

T9.	Kayla Ryan	0.67
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Free Throw Percentage

10.	Shantell Marquis	.833
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TEAM

3-Point Field Goals Made Per Game

1.	MSUB	8.33
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Assists

1.	MSUB	21.33
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Free Throw Percentage

T1.	MSUB	10.33
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Scoring Offense

1.	MSUB	84.0
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Field Goal Percentage

3.	MSUB	.427
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Free Throw Percentage

3.	MSUB	.719
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3-Point Percentage

3.	MSUB	.368
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Blocked Shots

T4.	MSUB	2.0
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Rebound Margin

5.	MSUB	+ 3.0
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