Carleton College athletics

carleton women’s basketball notes - Jan. 14, 2003
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2002-03 carleton knights
(11-0, 8-0 MIAC)

November
27 at Chapman University ............... W 80-77
29 Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Colleges (3) . W 75-60
(at Pomona-Pitzer Colleges)
30 Pomona-Pitzer Colleges (1) ............. W 74-47
(at Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Colleges)

December
4 at Bethel College* ...................... W 75-47
7 at Augsburg College* ..................... W 58-38
9 at College of St. Catherine* ............ W 74-66
11 at St. Olaf College ....................... W 78-64
14 at Concordia College, Moorhead* .... W 92-65

January
4 Macalester College* ..................... W 76-55
6 St. Mary's University* ..................... W 78-37
11 Hamline University* ..................... W 87-52
15 at University of St. Thomas* .......... 7:30 p.m.
18 College of St. Benedict* ............... 3 p.m.
20 at Gustavus Adolphus College* ...... 7:30 p.m.
22 Bethel College* ......................... 7:30 p.m.
25 Augsburg College* ....................... 3 p.m.
29 College of St. Catherine* ............. 7:30 p.m.

February
1 St. Olaf College* .......................... 1 p.m.
3 at Macalester College* .................... 7:30 p.m.
5 at St. Mary's University* ................. 7:30 p.m.
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NO. 9/NO.8 CARLETON AT ST. THOMAS
Date: Wednesday, Jan. 15, 7:30 p.m.
Site: Schoenecker Arena, St. Paul, Minn. (capacity 2,200)
Series record vs. St. Thomas: St. Thomas leads 40-4.
Radio: Webcast via Minnesota Sports Update
(www.sportsjuice.com/providers2/index.php?name=tcSports/)
Coaches: Carleton – Tammy Metcalf-Filzen (122-73 overall/seven years; 96-47 at Carleton/five years/St. Olaf College, 1983); St. Thomas – Tricia Dornisch (79-17 overall and at St. Thomas/four years/St. Thomas, 1990)
Websites: Carleton (www.carleton.edu/athletics); St. Thomas (www.stthomas.edu/tommies)

Carleton races past Pipers to 11th consecutive victory

Angie Grabowski scored a game-high 15 points as four Carleton players were in double figures, leading the ninth-ranked Knights past visiting Hamline University, 87-52, on Saturday.

The win was Carleton’s 11th in a row, breaking the school record for consecutive wins, previously held by the 2000-01 squad. Megan Vig added 13 points and four steals off the bench and Cara Jones tallied 11 points, four rebounds and four assists. Karissa Kramer added 10 points, four rebounds, three assists and three steals, surpassing the 700-point mark for her career.

Carleton forced 29 Hamline turnovers and held a 41-7 edge in points off turnovers. Twenty of Hamline’s miscues came in the first half as the Knights built a 46-16 edge. Carleton has scored 40 or more first-half points in four of its last five games.

Series record

The Toms lead the all-time series with Carleton, 40-4, but three of Carleton’s four wins have come in the last two seasons. Last year, Carleton beat St. Thomas twice, once at home in the regular season and then in Schoenecker Arena in the MIAC Playoff semifinals.

Knights continue fastest start in school history

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Carleton basketball quick facts

Head Coach Tammy Metcalf-Filzen

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from last year, Vel Williams, as she suffered a knee injury this fall and isn't expected back until late this season, if at all. Sophomore Kristi Huegel carries the offensive load, scoring 12.9 points per game. Rookie center Erica Opdahl was last week's MIAC player of the week and she's second on the team with a 9.5 points per game average. She leads the club with 7.5 rebounds. Rookie guard Katy Slater shoulders the backcourt responsibilities, and joins Opdahl as the second freshman starter. The team received a boost when junior Anne Laraway, a starter last season, returned to the squad after studying abroad the first semester. The Tommies are the best rebounding team in the MIAC, averaging a +11.2 rebounding margin. They've struggled shooting the ball, though, ranking sixth in field goal percentage (38.7%) and 11th in free throw percentage (61.1%). The Toms have a –2.38 turnover margin, third-worst in the MIAC.

Kramer passes milestones

Senior Karissa Kramer passed the 500 rebound mark in Monday’s win over St. Mary’s, becoming the 10th Carleton player to achieve the feat. With 10 points on Saturday she surpassed the 700-point mark for her career. Her 57.1 career field goal percentage is the best in school history.

Knights achieve great balance between starters, reserves

Carleton has risen from the depths of the MIAC to one of the conference’s elite teams by stressing a balanced offensive attack, and this year’s team is no different. The starters have averaged 42.3 points per game and the reserves have averaged 32.9 points per game. On four occasions this season the bench outscored the starters, including Monday’s win over St. Mary’s when the reserves scored 40 points. Two of the team’s four leading scorers are reserves: Megan Vig (11.2 ppg) and Kristi Colbenson (9.0 ppg). Seven different players have led the Knights in scoring in a single game this season: Cara Jones, Angie Grabowski, Linnea Engel, Beth Freeman, Karissa Kramer, Colbenson and Vig.

Jottings

Carleton has held its opponents to 35.7 percent shooting in MIAC play and has allowed only 53.0 points per game... The Knights are connecting on 76.2 percent of their free throw attempts, which leads the league and is third-best in all of NCAA Division III... Carleton ranks second in the MIAC in scoring average (77.2 ppg), rebounding margin (+9.8), assists per game (17.3 apg) and steals per game (11.4 spg). It leads the conference in turnover margin (+70)... Carleton is 26th in the nation in scoring average (77.2 ppg), rebounding margin (+9.8), assists per game (17.3 apg) and steals per game (11.4 spg). It leads the conference in turnover margin (+70)... Carleton is 26th in the nation in field goal percentage (75.8 ppg) and in scoring margin (+17.9)... Carleton is 13th in the nation in field goal percentage at 46.0 percent.

Quick hits

When Karl Christianson scored in double figures in the Dec. 14 win over Concordia, it gave Carleton nine different players who've scored in double figures at least once this season... Angie Grabowski ranks second in the MIAC in free throw percentage at 88.5 percent and is Carleton’s second-leading scorer in MIAC play, ranking 21st at 10.2 points per game... Karissa Kramer has scored 41 points and grabbed 13 rebounds in the three games since returning from an injury. She's shooting 68.0 percent from the field during the stretch... Megan Vig scored in double figures for the sixth time on Saturday, tying her for the team lead in that category. She’s Carleton’s top-ranked scorer in league play, ranking 15th with 11.9 points per game in MIAC play... Karen Fricke returned to Carleton’s line-up on Saturday after missing the last two games with a foot injury. She scored eight points and grabbed five boards in 19 minutes of action.
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miscellaneous 2002-03 statistics

Games as leading scorer Season/Career
Karen Fricke .................................................. 0/1
Beth Freeman .................................................. 1/2
Linnea Engel .................................................. 3/7
Kristi Colbenson ............................................. 1/1
Kari Christianson ............................................ 1/1
Megan Vig ..................................................... 2/2

Angie Grabowski ............................................ 3/10
Cara Jones ................................................... 1/1
Karissa Kramer .............................................. 1/12

Games as leading rebounder Season/Career
Michelle Blank .............................................. 0/1
Karen Fricke .................................................. 0/1
Beth Freeman .................................................. 1/11
Kristi Colbenson ............................................. 1/3
Angie Grabowski ............................................ 3/8
Cara Jones ................................................... 2/5
Karissa Kramer .............................................. 0/32
Megan Vig ..................................................... 3/3

Games as leading in assists Season/Career
Kari Christianson ............................................ 1/1
Kristi Colbenson ............................................. 2/2
Linnea Engel .................................................. 1/11
Beth Freeman .................................................. 1/3
Katie Freeman ................................................ 2/3
Angie Grabowski ............................................ 1/15
Cara Jones ................................................... 6/20
Karissa Kramer .............................................. 0/2
Kate Krueger .................................................. 0/2
Megan Vig ..................................................... 1/1

Double-Doubles (not including triple-doubles) Season/Career
Linnea Engel .................................................. 0/1
Kari Christianson ............................................ 1/1
Kristi Colbenson ............................................. 4/4
Beth Freeman .................................................. 4/23
Angie Grabowski ............................................ 2/7
Cara Jones ................................................... 1/17
Kara Jones ................................................... 6/32
Karissa Kramer .............................................. 3/11
Megan Vig ..................................................... 2/34

Double-figure scoring games Season/Career
Kari Christianson ............................................ 1/1
Kristi Colbenson ............................................. 4/4
Beth Freeman .................................................. 4/23
Angie Grabowski ............................................ 2/7
Cara Jones ................................................... 6/32
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Karissa Kramer .............................................. 2/34
Megan Vig ..................................................... 6/6

20-point games Season/Career
Linnea Engel .................................................. 0/1
Angie Grabowski ............................................ 0/1
Karissa Kramer .............................................. 0/1

10-rebound games Season/Career
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Karen Fricke .................................................. 0/2
Cara Jones ................................................... 0/1
Karissa Kramer .............................................. 0/10

10-assist game Season/Career
None

25 Mt. St. Mary 10-1 46 —
24 Lake Forest 10-0 89 —
23 St. John Fisher 8-0 110 24
22 UW-Stevens Point 11-3 122 22
21 Messiah 11-2 132 17
17 Wilmington 10-2 199 19
16 UW-Oshkosh 13-1 239 20
15 De Pauw University 10-2 189 19
14 Eastern Connecticut 11-1 289 14
13 Gustavus Adolphus 9-0 272 15
12 Wheaton (Ill.) 10-2 246 16
11 UW-Oshkosh 13-1 239 20
10 Southern Maine 10-2 176 18
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carleton's record when...

Home .................................................. 3-0
Away .................................................. 6-0
Neutral .................................................. 2-0
Carleton leads at the half ................................ 10-0
Carleton trails at the half ................................ 1-0
Tied at the half .......................................... 0-0
Overtime .................................................. 0-0
Carleton shoots 50 percent or better from the floor .... 5-0
Carleton shoots 40-49.9 percent from the floor ....... 5-0
Carleton shoots less than 40 percent from the floor .... 7-0
Carleton has more rebounds ................................ 8-0
Opponent has more rebounds ................................ 2-0
Teams have the same number of rebounds .......... 1-0
Carleton commits more turnovers....................... 0-0
Opponent commits more turnovers..................... 10-0
Teams have equal turnovers ................................ 1-0
Carleton scores 70 or more points .................... 10-0
Carleton scores less than 70 points .................. 1-0

USA Today/EESPN/WBCA Top 25

Week 6-Jan. 14, 2003

# Team W-L Pts Last
1 Washington U. (23) 12-0 622 1
2 St. Benedict (1) 12-0 555 3
3 Scranton 12-0 539 4
4 Hardin-Simmons (1) 11-0 513 5
5 Hope 12-0 397 7
6 DeSales 12-0 472 6
7 UW-Eau Claire 14-1 466 8
9 Carleton 11-0 441 9
10 Baldwin-Wallace 12-1 402 10
11 Rochester 9-0 381 11
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