Carleton looks to keep things rolling, face Auggies

No. 14 CARLETON AT AUGSBURG

Date: Saturday, Dec. 6, 2003, 1 p.m.
Site: SI Melby Hall, Minneapolis (capacity 2,200)
Series record vs. Augsburg: Carleton leads 30-18
Radio: KYMN 1080 AM, Webcast on Knights Online (www.carleton.edu/athletics/broadcasts/)

Coaches: Carleton – Tammy Metcalf-Filzen (139-76 overall/ninth season; 113-50 at Carleton/seventh season/St. Olaf College, 1983); Augsburg – Dave Johnson (0-4 overall and at Augsburg/1st season/U.W.-La Crosse, 1982).

Websites: Carleton (www.carleton.edu/athletics); Augsburg (www.augsburg.edu/athletics/)

Carleton continues on road, faces Auggies

Carleton, in the midst of a four-game road stretch, heads to Minneapolis to face Augsburg College.

The Knights are unbeaten in their first three contests of 2003-04, while the Auggies are searching for their first victory of the season under new head coach Dave Johnson.

Big runs fuel Knights in conference-opening triumph of Royals

Megan Vig posted her second consecutive double-double with 16 points and 10 rebounds as Carleton opened defense of its MIAC title by beating Bethel, 70-45, Wednesday night in St. Paul.

Kristi Colbenson and Linnea Engel added 12 points each for Carleton. Cassie Hammond, in her first career start, added eight points and six rebounds for the 14th-ranked Knights.

The Knights broke to an 11-2 lead and proceeded to hold the Royals scoreless for a 8:53 span, outscoring the Royals 16-0 during the stretch to lead 27-4 with 6:34 left in the first half. The Knights took a 35-16 lead at the half.

The Royals answered back with a mini-run of their own, outscoring the Knights 17-7 to open the half and cut the Carleton lead to 42-33 with 12:50 remaining. The Knights responded with a 12-0 spurt, capped by a pair of Engel buckets.

Carleton shot an even 40 percent (6-of-65) for the game and held a decisive 15-6 edge in free-throw points. Carleton forced 23 Bethel turnovers, converting them into 25 points.

Augsburg Series

The Knights lead the all-time series with the Auggies, 30-18. The Knights have won six consecutive games against Augsburg and 15 of the last 16. Carleton head coach Tammy Metcalf-Filzen is 11-1 against the Auggies as the Knights’ head coach.

Last year, Linnea Engel tallied nine points and seven steals and Kristi Colbenson added nine points, four rebounds and three assists as Carleton scored the first 15 points of the game and withstood an early second-half Augsburg rally to cruise to a 58-38 victory at Augsburg’s SI Melby Hall on Dec. 7. Beth Freeman and Megan Vig had seven points and four rebounds each. Augsburg was paced by Katie Kelsey who hit four 3-pointers to score 12 points.

On Jan. 24 at Carleton, Angie Grabowski ’03 scored 12 points and Carleton held Augsburg College to 10 second-half points on three field goals in routing the Auggies, 82-27. The point total was the lowest for a Carleton opponent in MIAC play. It marked the lowest overall output for a Carleton opponent since the Knights’ first season, 1973-74, when Carleton held two opponents to 20 points. The 55-point margin was a school record for the Knights. Fourteen different Knights scored in the contest. Karissa Kramer ’03, Katie Freeman and Megan Vig added nine points each for Carleton Augsburg was paced by Alicia Pratt’s 10 points.

Probable Carleton Starting Line-up

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2003-04 carleton knights (3-0, 1-0 MIAC)

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Carleton basketball quick facts

Head Coach: Tammy Metcalf-Filzen
Assistant Coaches: Andy Jaynes, Heidi Luehmann
Location: Northfield, Minn.
Enrollment: 1,850
Nickname: Knights
School Colors: Maize and Blue
Conference: MN. Intercollegiate (MIAC)
Arena: West Gym
Capacity: 1,400
2002-03 Overall Record: 25-3, 20-2 MIAC/tied first
In the polls
Carleton, despite losing four starters off last year’s record-setting 25-3 squad, is ranked 14th in the preseason USA Today/ESPN/WBCA top 25 coaches’ poll. The Knights moved up in the latest D3Hoops.com top 25 poll, as their 37 points puts the Knights three slots out of the top 25 in that ranking.
Carleton has now been ranked in either or both polls a school-record 22 consecutive times.
Eastern Connecticut tops the D3Hoops.com poll and Washington University earned the top spot in the preseason WBCA poll, which won’t be updated until January. Gustavus Adolphus College (12th) and the College of St. Benedict (22nd) are ranked in the D3Hoops.com poll, while the Gusties are 13th and the Blazers tied for 20th in the WBCA ranking.

Scouting Augsburg
The Auggies are under the direction of a new coach in 2003-04, as Dave Johnson took over the program’s reigns after a highly successful high school coaching career at Hudson (Wis.) High School. While there, Johnson led Hudson to 10 WIAA regional titles in 19 seasons, including state tournament trips six times in the last eight seasons.
The Auggies are searching for their first win in the Johnson era and will rely on a trio of players for the bulk of their scoring. Rookie post Selina Theisen was last week’s MIAC player of the week after scoring 49 points and grabbing 15 rebounds in losses to Northwestern (Minn.) and UW-Superior. Theisen is the team’s leading scorer at 17.5 points per game and is second on the team with 8.3 rebounds per game. She’s shooting 68.4 percent from the floor. Senior forward Julie Andert is the team’s second-leading scorer at 11.0 points per game and leads the team with 10.3 rebounds per contest. Sophomore Ashley Vossen is scoring 10.0 points per game coming off the bench and is shooting 55.6 percent from three-point range.
The Auggies have been fairly solid offensively, scoring 64.2 points per game and shooting 42.5 percent. They’ve allowed the opposition to score 73.2 points per game and have turned the ball over eight more times per game than the opposition.

Engel stalks theft record
Heading into Saturday’s contest with Augsburg, senior Linnea Engel needs only six more steals to reach 200 for her career. The forward entered the season with 180 career thefts and has notched 14 in three contests this season. Anna Bandick (1986-90) is Carleton’s all-time leader in steals with 216. Engel is one of only three Carleton players (Bandick and Katherine Frewing being the other two) to tally 70 or more steals in a single season, as Engel posted 71 thefts last year, only six shy of Frewing’s single-season record, set in 1991-92.

Jottings
No Carleton opponent has shot better than 38 percent in the Knights’ first three contests...Carleton is converting on 83.3 percent of its free-throw attempts this season and is averaging 20 made free throws per game...Carleton’s 25 victories last season set a new school record for wins in a single season...The Knights own a 52-9 record in the last three seasons and a 74-14 record over the last four seasons...Carleton has posted three consecutive 20-win seasons and is the three-time defending MIAC Playoff champion.

Quick hits
Megan Vig didn’t record a double-double all of last year, but owns two in Carleton’s first three contests. She led Carleton in scoring in eight games last year and has paced the Knights in scoring twice this season...Cassie Hammond started in place of Beth Freeman on Wednesday, as Beth Freeman is in Ghana on a short study abroad experience. She’ll return to the team in time for Carleton’s Jan. 3 game at Macalester. Hammond responded with a career game, scoring eight points and pulling down six boards...Katie Freeman’s 12 points in the season opener against George Fox was a new career high. She tallied a career-best six assists the next day in the win over Luther College (Iowa)...Andrea Korb made her first appearance of the season on Wednesday, tallying three points against the Royals...Kristi Colbenson, who moved into the starting line-up this season, has scored in double figures in all three contests...Linnea Engel is averaging 12.7 points per game and 4.8 steals per contest. Engel has notched more than 50 steals in each of her first three seasons at Carleton. No player has accomplished that feat all four years at Carleton.
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miscellaneous 2003-04 statistics
Games as leading scorer Season/Career
Kristi Colbenson ........................................... 1/5
Linnea Engel .................................................. 0/3
Beth Freeman ................................................. 1/7
Megan Vig .................................................... 2/11

Games as leading rebounds Season/Career
Kristi Colbenson ........................................... 2/5
Linnea Engel .................................................. 2/11
Beth Freeman ................................................. 0/6
Katie Freeman ................................................. 1/3
Megan Vig .................................................... 2/11

Games as leading in assists Season/Career
Kari Christianson .......................................... 0/1
Kristi Colbenson ........................................... 0/2
Linnea Engel .................................................. 0/2
Beth Freeman ................................................. 2/7
Katie Freeman ................................................. 1/6
Megan Vig .................................................... 0/1

Double-Doubles (not including triple-doubles) Season/Career
Linnea Engel .................................................. 2/3
Beth Freeman ................................................. 1/2
Megan Vig .................................................... 2/2

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Kari Christianson .......................................... 1/5
Linnea Engel .................................................. 2/11
Beth Freeman ................................................. 0/2
Katie Freeman ................................................. 2/7
Megan Vig .................................................... 3/17

20-point games Season/Career
Linnea Engel .................................................. 0/3
Megan Vig .................................................... 2/2

10-rebound games Season/Career
Linnea Engel .................................................. 2/5
Beth Freeman ................................................. 2/2
Megan Vig .................................................... 2/2

10-assist game Season/Career
None

Home .......................................................... 1-0
Away ............................................................ 1-0
Neutral .......................................................... 1-0

Carleton leads at the half ..................................... 2-0
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 ................. 0-0
Carleton shoots 40-49.9 percent from the floor ................. 2-0
Carleton shoots less than 40 percent from the floor ................. 1-0
Opponent shoots 50 percent or better from the floor ................. 0-0
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Opponent shoots less than 40 percent from the floor ................. 3-0
Carleton has more rebounds ..................................... 3-0
Opponent has more rebounds ..................................... 0-0
Teams have same number of rebounds .............................. 0-0
Carleton commits more turnovers ..................................... 0-0
Opponent commits more turnovers ..................................... 3-0
Teams have equal turnovers ..................................... 0-0
Carleton scores 70 or more points ..................................... 2-0
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1. Eastern Connecticut (13) 3-0 601 1
2. Trinity (Texas) (9) 5-0 596 2
3. Rochester 3-0 572 4
4. Bowdoin (1) 3-0 529 6
5. UW-Stevens Point (2) 4-0 519 7
6. Scranton 3-0 469 8
7. Marymount 4-0 422 9
8. UW-Eau Claire 4-1 405 5
9. Washington U. 4-1 402 3
10. Southern Maine 3-0 392 11
11. Messiah 3-0 372 12
12. Gustavus Adolphus 1-0 335 10
13. Hope 4-0 300 14
14. St. John Fisher 5-0 289 13
15. Baldwin-Wallace 2-0 267 17
16. Johns Hopkins 5-0 221 —
17. Pacific Lutheran 3-1 183 15
18. UW-Oshkosh 4-0 170 24
19. Wilmington 3-1 167 16
20. King’s 3-1 129 19
21. Hardin-Simmons 2-1 127 21
22. St. Benedict 1-0 116 22
23. La Crosse 2-1 112 28
24. DeSales 2-1 62 23
25. DePauw 3-1 40 —

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Week #9, Nov. 7, 2003
# School Record Pts. Last
1. Washington U (3) 26-2 188 5
2. Trinity (3) 28-5 185 1
3. Eastern Conn. St. 28-5 182 2
4. UW-Eau Claire 32-2 179 3
5. Rochester (2) 24-6 174 4
6. Bowdoin 26-3 177 5
7. Scranton 23-5 120 20
8. Wilmingon 25-3 119 11
9. Pacific Lutheran 23-5 118 1
10. Southern Maine 124 11
11. UW-Stevens Point 25-3 114 24
12. King’s College 24-4 91 10
13. Gustavus Adolphus 25-4-4 84 22
14. Carleton 25-3 66 15
15. Hope College 31-1 64 6
16. Hardin-Simmons 27-1 63 8
17. Messiah College 28-3 63 9
18. DeSales 24-4 56 18
20. St. Benedict 24-3 43 16
21. Ithaca College 22-6 43 20
22. Marymount 23-7 41 19
23. Saint Lawrence 25-3 35 24
24. UW-Oshkosh 22-6 35 25
25. Johns Hopkins 22-6 33 NR

Dropped out: No. 20 Mount St. Mary, No. 25 Lake Forest

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