



EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTES



Game #6

EDINBORO FIGHTING SCOTS (3-2) vs. CENTRAL STATE MARAUDERS (8-0) Wednesday, December 2, 1998 / Edinboro, PA / 7:30 p.m.

Fighting Scots Seek Retribution Vs. Central State

The Edinboro University men's basketball team enters its Wednesday engagement with Central State riding a three-game winning streak. The Fighting Scots are 3-2 following Saturday's 82-56 conquest of Mercyhurst, but have some unfinished business. One of the two blemishes on the ledger is an 80-69 defeat at Central State in the season opener. The Fighting Scots would like nothing better than to avenge that setback, but it certainly won't be easy against a Marauder team which is a perfect 8-0 after Monday's 79-67 win at Urbana.

SCOUTING THE SCOTS: Make no doubt about it, this is a different Edinboro team than the one Central State faced in mid-November. The Fighting Scots turned the corner with a 50-48 victory over NCAA Division II Final Four entrant St. Rose, and have since proceeded to victories over Wheeling Jesuit and Mercyhurst by an average of 27.5 ppg. It's easy to get caught up in the athleticism of the Scots, but the difference has been defense. Coach Greg Walcavich's team is limiting opponents to 38.1 percent shooting from the floor, while forcing 20.8 turnovers per game. Consider that Central State is the lone opponent to shoot better than forty percent from the floor this season, the Marauders hitting at 51.5 percent in the lidlifter. The last four opponents have hit just 34.5 percent from the field. On Saturday, the Lakers managed just 31.3 percent. The three-game winning streak has also found opponents scoring just 55.7 ppg... the catalyst from both an offensive and defensive standpoint has been point guard Adam Kaufman. The sophomore's absence was clearly evident against Point Park, as he exited with an eye injury after playing thirteen minutes. He has been on fire since that time. After dishing out 12 assists against Wheeling Jesuit, the 5'11" sophomore handed out 10 more vs. Mercyhurst. That gives him 37 assists for the year. But scoring passes are nothing new to Kaufman. As a freshman, he set a new Boro record with 273 assists. Kaufman already ranks seventh in career assists with 310. He also has 10 steals in '98-99, good for second on the team ... Jean Paul has taken over at guard alongside Kaufman. The 6'3" senior has an interesting history. He previously played football at Indiana University, then later joined Bobby Knight's basketball team. Paul is a player who's contributions don't always show up in the box score. Most notably, he's a defensive stopper. Paul is one of three Scots scoring in double digits, coming in at 11.0 ppg., along with 15 assists, second on the team ... while Paul does the little things, Michael Johnson provides the flash. The high-flying 6'5" sophomore is averaging a team-high 14.4 ppg. after notching a career-high 20 vs. Mercyhurst. He added 10 boards against the Lakers, giving him a team-high 7.6 per game. The 1995-96 PSAC West Rookie of the Year is shooting 55.8 percent from the floor and leads the Boro both in steals (13) and blocks (15). Johnson ranks 12th in career blocks with 52 ... Johnson is joined up front by senior Troy Stout and freshman James Dickerson. Stout, a 6'7" center, is the Boro's leading rebounder at 7.4 per game, adding 11.4 points. He shoots a team-high 63.4 percent from the floor. Dickerson is another of the Scots' with great leap-

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Edinboro Fighting Scots (3-2)

						Ppg.	Rpg.
F	4	Michael Johnson	6-5	195	So.	Pittsburgh, PA	14.4 7.6
F	3	James Dickerson	6-4	180	Fr.	Cleveland, OH	6.2 1.6
C	15	Troy Stout	6-6	215	Sr.	Allentown, PA	11.4 7.4
G	5	Jean Paul	6-3	185	Sr.	Naples, FL	11.0 15 asts.
G	22	Adam Kaufman	5-11	165	So.	Coraopolis, PA	4.0 37 asts.
F	44	Ian Johnson	6-7	200	So.	Rankin, PA	7.2 5.2
F	24	Terrance Smith	6-6	190	So.	Philadelphia, PA	8.8 4.2
G	30	Jarrod Graham	6-1	175	Fr.	Harrisburg, PA	3.4 3.2
C	55	Rob Schodt	6-8	225	So.	Erie, PA	6.4 2.2

HEAD COACH: Greg Walcavich (170-92, 10th year)

Central State Marauders (8-0)

						Ppg.	Rpg.
F	21	Allwyn Jones	6-7	200	Jr.	Gary, IN	13.9 6.5
F	44	John Hester	6-6	206	Sr.	Anderson, IN	11.3 5.4
F	50	Ortavius Walker	6-5	190	Sr.	Atlanta, GA	13.3 4.8
G	23	Chris Grant	6-2	170	Sr.	Warrensville Hts., OH	10.8 33 asts.
G	5	Shawn Blakney	6-4	195	Jr.	Youngstown, OH	5.1 3.0
F	22	Kevin Burke	6-5	185	Jr.	Dayton, OH	6.4 3.1
F	42	John Smith	6-5	215	Sr.	Kent, OH	6.2 3.0
G	11	Terrence Price	5-11	148	So.	Minneapolis, MN	6.1 0.4

HEAD COACH: Michael Grant (32-35, 3rd year)

TALE OF THE TAPE

Fighting Scots	Category	Marauders
Avg.		Avg.
72.6	Scoring	78.5
65.0	Scoring Defense	71.5
45.1	Field Goal Percentage	45.1
38.1	Field Goal Pct. Defense	48.2
64.7	Free Throw Percentage	64.8
+0.8	Rebounding Margin	+4.9
20.0	Turnovers Per Game	15.8
20.8	Opp. Turnovers Per Game	22.5

ing ability. The former All-Ohio selection from Richmond Heights High School averages 6.2 ppg... while not necessarily a deep team, Walcavich has received excellent production from the bench. Sophomore **Terrance Smith** leads the way at 8.8 ppg., adding 4.2 rpg. The 6'6" transfer from Sacramento City College led the Scots with 17 points in the first meeting with Central State. He came off the bench to contribute 15 markers on Saturday ... sophomore **Ian Johnson**, like Michael Johnson coming off a lay-off since the '95-96, and sophomore **Rob Schodt** provide additional frontcourt relief. Johnson, a 6'7" forward, averages 7.2 ppg. and 5.2 rpg. Schodt, a local product from McDowell High School, had a career-high 16-point output vs. Wheeling Jesuit, then added 10 points and 5 boards against Mercyhurst. The 6'8", 225 lb. center averages 6.4 ppg., while shooting 54.5 percent from the floor and 88.9 percent (8 of 9) from the line ... 6'1" freshman **Jarrod Graham**, via George Junior Republic, backs up both guard positions. After a slow start, Graham is becoming a major contributor. He had 9 points and 4 rebounds in the Mercyhurst game, boosting his scoring average to 3.4 ppg.

SCOUTING THE MARAUDERS: Central State, an NAIA institution, invades McComb Fieldhouse with an impressive 8-0 ledger. Included in that victory total is an 86-82 triumph over Northern Kentucky in the championship of the Northern Kentucky Tournament. The Norse are annually among the top outfits in Division II. The Marauders have posted some interesting numbers while on the way to their quick getaway, but most telltale is the fact they force 22.5 turnovers per game. That helps negate a 48.2 percent shooting figure from the floor by opponents. Central State also holds a rebound edge of close to five per game ... third-year coach Michael Grant can call on a quartet of double digit scorers, led by 6'7" forward **Allwyn Jones**. The junior is a transfer from South Suburban Community College, and is leading the team both in scoring (13.9 ppg.) and rebounding (6.5 rpg.). Jones comes off a 21-point, 8-rebound effort at Urbana. He is shooting 56.0 percent from the field ... 6'5" senior **Ortavius Walker** is next in the scoring parade at 13.3 ppg. The Atlanta, GA native also pulls down 4.8 rpg... **John Hester** was a major thorn for the Scots in the first meeting, dropping in 22 points and pulling down 9 boards. The 6'6" senior is averaging 11.3 points and 5.4 rebounds, with 12 steals ... the fourth double figure operative is senior **Chris Grant**. The 6'2" guard not only averages 10.8 ppg., but leads the Marauders in assists (33) and is second in steals (16). Grant has also made a habit of going to the charity stripe, canning 36 of 53 freebies ... the fifth starter is junior **Shawn Blakney**, a 6'4" guard. Blakney scores at 5.1 ppg... Grant has made ample use of his bench. Junior **Kevin Burke**, a 6'5" junior, leads the way at 6.4 ppg. and 3.1 rpg. Burke paces the Marauders in field goal percentage (63.3 percent) ... **Terrence Price** not only averages 6.1 ppg. in a reserve role, but is the top three-point threat with 10 in 25 tries. Price is a 5'11" sophomore ... another reserve of note is 6'5" senior **John Smith** (6.2 ppg., 3.0 rpg.).

SERIES RECORD: Edinboro leads 3-2

LAST MEETING: 1998-99 -- Central State 80, Edinboro 69
The Fighting Scots opened the 1998-99 campaign on November 14 in Wilberforce, OH against Central State. The Marauders improved to 3-0 with the 11-point triumph. The big difference in

KAUFMAN NOW 7th IN CAREER ASSISTS

Adam Kaufman has put together back-to-back double figure assist games, boosting his career total to 310 assists. The sophomore guard handed out 12 assists vs. Wheeling Jesuit, then totalled 10 against Mercyhurst. Kaufman already stands seventh place in career assists with 310, in just 39 career games.

Rank	Player (Years)	Assists
5.	Larry Betar (1971-75)	341
6.	Tim Smiley (1973-77)	323
7.	Adam Kaufman (1997-present)	310

THE SULTAN OF SWAT

Michael Johnson has definitely made a lasting impression on opponents in his return to the Fighting Scots. After not playing since the 1995-96 campaign, Johnson has picked up where he left off -- as an intimidating shot blocker. The 6'5" sophomore swatted away six shots against St. Rose, then rejected four more shots against Wheeling Jesuit. He has 15 for the year, giving him a career total of 52, good for 12th all-time.

Rank	Player (Years)	Blocked Shots
9.	Lasana Crider (1992-94)	59
10.	Tyrone Tillman (1977-80)	55
11.	Junior Simpson (1991-93)	54
12.	Michael Johnson (1995-present)	52

the contest was 31 Boro turnovers, offsetting a 43-31 advantage off the glass. Both teams shot the ball well, with Edinboro coming in at 51.9 percent from the floor, and Central State at 51.5 percent. Five Scots reached double digits, led by Terrance Smith, who deposited 17 points before fouling out. Troy Stout and Ian Johnson added 12 markers, Johnson with 8 rebounds. Michael Johnson had 11 points and 8 boards, while Jean Paul also notched 11 tallies. The Marauders featured the 22-point, 9-rebound effort of John Hester. Also in double figures were Ortavius Walker (12 points), Allwyn Jones (11) and Shawn Blakney (10).

NEXT FOR THE FIGHTING SCOTS:

Saturday, December 5 vs. Lake Erie, 7:30 p.m.

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania 1998-99 Fighting Scots Numerical Roster

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown/High School
3	James Dickerson	F	6-4	180	Fr	Cleveland, OH/Richmond Heights
4	Michael Johnson	F	6-5	195	So	Pittsburgh, PA/Woodland Hills
5	Jean Paul	F	6-3	185	Sr	Naples, FL/Lely
15	Troy Stout	F	6-6	215	Sr	Allentown, PA/Dieruff
22	Adam Kaufman	G	5-11	165	So	Coraopolis, PA/Montour
24	Terrance Smith	F	6-6	190	So	Philadelphia, PA/Simon Gratz
30	Jarrod Graham	G	6-1	175	Fr	Harrisburg, PA/George Junior Republic
44	Ian Johnson	F	6-7	200	So	Rankin, PA/Woodland Hills
45	Michael Cassidy	G	6-1	210	Sr	Philadelphia, PA/Mastbaum Tech
55	Rob Schodt	C	6-8	225	So	Erie, PA/McDowell

Head Coach: Greg Walcavich (Rutgers University, 1973)

Assistant Coach: Brian Cupps (Wichita State University, 1994)

Student Assistant Coach: Patrick Cleary

Central State University 1998-99 Marauders Numerical Roster

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown/High School
4	Victor Stallworth	C	6-9	240	Jr	Indianapolis, IN/Lake Land CC
5	Shawn Blakney	G	6-4	195	Jr	Youngstown, OH/Chaney
11	Terrence Price	G	5-11	148	So	Minneapolis, MN/Washburn
20	Larry Stephens	G	5-11	170	Jr	Dayton, OH/Alabama A&M
21	Allwyn Jones	F	6-7	200	Jr	Gary, IN/South Suburban CC
22	Kevin Burke	F	6-5	170	Jr	Dayton, OH/Trotwood-Madison
23	Chris Grant	G	6-2	170	Sr	Warrensville Hts., OH/Warrensville Hts.
24	Estaban Weaver	G	6-5	180	So	Columbus, OH/Tallahassee CC
25	Chris High	C	6-7	215	Jr	Canton, OH/Lakeland CC
32	Steve Short	G	6-3	181	Sr	Cincinnati, OH/Hughes
33	Chris Clark	F	6-5	185	Sr	Chicago, IL/Hubbard
42	John Smith	F	6-5	215	Sr	Kent, OH/Roosevelt
44	John Hester	F	6-6	206	Sr	Anderson, IN/Anderson
50	Ortavius Walker	F	6-5	190	Sr	Atlanta, GA/Columbia
52	Allen Moore	F	6-5	220	Jr	Bronx, NY/Fashion Inst. of Tech.

Head Coach: Michael Grant (3rd year)

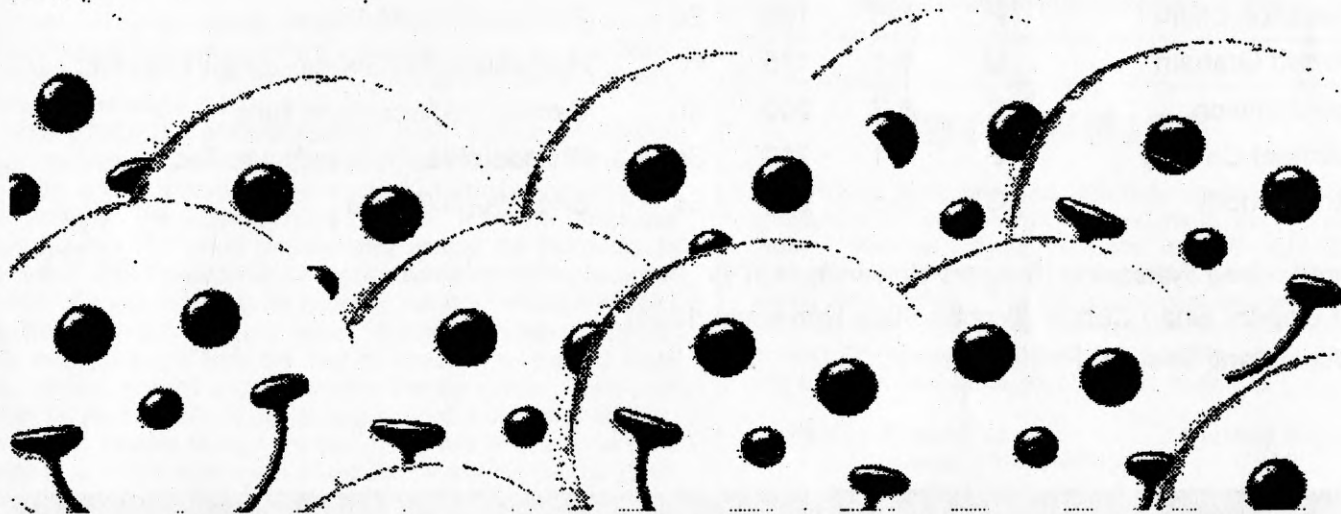
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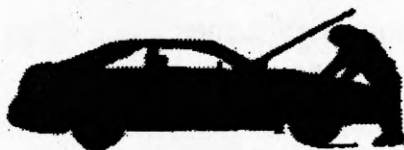
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