

Edinboro Women's Team Looks To Continue Winning Streak vs. IUP

(EDINBORO, Pa.) ~ The Edinboro University women's basketball team will host Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference rival Indiana University of Pennsylvania on Wednesday, Jan. 15, at McComb Fieldhouse. Tip-off is set for 6:00 p.m. The game will be the first of two meetings this season between the two schools, as the Scots and Indians will face off again on Feb. 12, in Indiana, Pa.

The Fighting Scots (11-5 overall, 2-0 PSAC-West) are led by 10th-year head coach Stan Swank, who posted his 161st career victory at Edinboro last Saturday (Jan. 11) afternoon (an 82-70 win vs. Lock Haven University) to become Edinboro's all-time winningest coach. With the win, Swank surpassed former EUP coach Judy Saurer (1966-80), who previously owned that distinction with 160 career wins.

In the win vs. the Lady Eagles, sophomore guard Meghan Miller scored a game-high 25 points for the Scots. In her last two games, Miller has averaged 26 points, three rebounds and three assists, while shooting 23-24 from the free-throw line. Junior forward Amy Rapelje, who had a game-high 16 rebounds against Lock Haven, is currently second in the PSAC in field goal percentage, shooting 104-191 (.545). Junior forward Heather Gates continues to lead the conference in rebounding (14.1 rpg). Gates also is tops in scoring (16.4 ppg) for Edinboro. Freshman guard Jessica Rowe was selected the PSAC-West "Rookie of the Week" for the second straight week. In the Scots' wins over Slippery Rock (81-72, on Jan. 8) and Lock Haven, Rowe averaged 12.5 points and two rebounds. The Scots, who boast five players with double-digit scoring averages, average a conference-best 84.9 points per game. Defensively, Edinboro is allowing opponents only 70.4 per contest. Last season, Edinboro and IUP faced each other three times. The Indians won the first two (85-82 in overtime in the Florida Southern Tournament and 89-79 at Edinboro), while the Scots won the most recent meeting between the two schools (83-80, at Indiana on Feb. 14).

Indiana (6-8 overall, 1-1 PSAC-West), is led by first-year head coach Sandy Thomas, a former assistant coach at the University of Michigan. The Indians dropped a 70-47 decision to California University of Pa. on Saturday, Jan. 11. Sophomore guard Theresa Kabala scored a game-high 20 points for IUP in the loss. On the season, Kabala is IUP's leading scorer, at 13.4 points per game, and currently ranks second in free-throw percentage in the PSAC, connecting on 36 of 42 (.857) attempts. Other top players for the Indians include: freshman forward Megan Smith, who is eighth in the PSAC in rebounding (8.9 rpg) and Jody Frederick (7.6 rpg, 1.7 blkpg). As a team, IUP averages 62.9 points a game, while allowing 66.3.

Probable Starting Lineups

Edinboro:

No	Name	Ht	Cl	Pos	1996-97 Statistics
34	Jessica Rowe	5-8	Fr	G	11.2 ppg, 2.8 rpg
50	Meghan Miller	5-6	So	G	12.9 ppg, 81.8 ft%
52	Amy Rapelje	6-2	Jr	C	15.6 ppg, 8.4 rpg
54	Heather Gates	5-11	Jr	F	16.4 ppg, 14.1 rpg
40	Erin Miller	5-10	Jr	F	12.1 ppg, 3.9 apg

Indiana:

No	Name	Ht	Cl	Pos	1996-97 Statistics
30	Molly Carr	5-8	So	G	12.6 ppg, 5.2 rpg
33	Theresa Kabala	5-7	So	G	13.4 ppg, 5.1 rpg
34	Megan Smith	6-2	Fr	C/F	12.2 ppg, 8.2 rpg
42	Tricia Wareham	5-11	Sr	F	8.4 ppg, 9.5 rpg
45	Jodi Frederick	6-1	Fr	F	4.9 ppg, 7.6 rpg

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY FIGHTING SCOTS

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Yr	Hometown/High School
10	Stacie Seneta	G	5-6	Jr	Girard, PA/Girard
13	Tami Piljuga	F	5-11	Jr	Pittsburgh, PA/Brentwood
14	Cara Peyton	G	5-7	Fr	Cincinnati, OH/McAuley
34	Jessica Rowe	G	5-8	Fr	Columbus, OH/St. Francis DeSales
41	Kelly Mankowski	G/F	5-9	Jr	North East, PA/North East
42	Erin Miller	G/F	5-11	Jr	Pittsburgh, PA/Oakland Catholic
44	Megan Fiala	F	6-0	So	Brookville, PA/Brookville
50	Meghan Miller	G	5-7	So	Wexford, PA/North Catholic
51	Rhani Rochon	F	5-11	So	Beachwood, OH/Beachwood
52	Amy Rapelje	C	6-2	Jr	Perrysburg, OH/Eastwood
54	Heather Gates	F	5-11	Jr	Beachwood, OH/Beachwood

Head Coach: Stan Swank

Assistant Coaches: Andrea Williams, Lou Zadecky

INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PA. INDIANS

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Yr	Hometown/High School
15	Emily Dembosky	G	5-9	Sr	Indiana, PA/Marion Center
20	Katrina Fiala	F	5-11	Fr	Brookville, PA/Brookville
25	Clare Kraus	G	5-7	Fr	Pittsburgh, PA/Oakland Catholic
30	Molly Carr	G	5-8	So	St. Mary's, PA/St. Mary's
32	Melissa McGill	C	6-5	Fr	Joliet, MT/Joliet
33	Theresa Kabala	G	5-7	So	Pittsburgh, PA/Fox Chapel
34	Megan Smith	F/C	6-2	Fr	Indiana, PA/Indiana
42	Tricia Wareham	F	5-11	Sr	Roaring Spring, PA/Central
44	Kelli Morange	G	5-9	Jr	Philadelphia, PA/Martin Luther King
45	Jodi Frederick	F	6-1	Fr	Denver, PA/Cocalico
52	Heather Blair	C	6-2	So	Valencia, PA/Mars

Head Coach: Sandy Thomas

Assistant Coach: Bo Kuntz