

Fighting Scots Seek Fifth Straight Victory vs. Red Raiders

Ogden Poised To Break Mason's Career Three-Point FG Record

(EDINBORO, Pa.) ~ The Edinboro University men's basketball team will host Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania on Saturday, Jan. 18 at 3:00 p.m. at McComb Fieldhouse. The Fighting Scots, who are in first-place in the PSAC, are playing the third game of a four-game homestand. Edinboro will also host local rival Mercyhurst College on Jan. 22 at 7:30 p.m., before starting a three-game conference road trip that will take them to California (Pa.), Clarion and Lock Haven.

Edinboro (7-6 overall, 3-0 in the PSAC-West), led by eighth-year head coach Greg Walcavich, has won four games in a row, and five of their past six contests. The Scots have registered conference wins over Slippery Rock (77-71 in overtime), Lock Haven (82-70) and most recently, Indiana (90-70 on Jan. 15). In the win over the Indians, four different Scots scored in double-figures. Senior forward Antoine Jefferson made 10-13 (.769) shots from the field and led all scorers with a game-high 21 points. Senior forward Brian Ellis added 18 points, while Jesse Ogden (17 points) and Tim Miller (13 points) rounded out Edinboro's offensive leaders vs. IUP. Ogden also made three more three-point baskets in the contest, tying him with Tyrone Mason's career record of 165. He has been among the leaders in Division-II all-season in three-pointers made per game, and is averaging 4.1 treys a contest this season. Last year, the Scots won both games against the Red Raiders (94-83 at Shippensburg and 96-69 at Edinboro). Ogden scored a team-best 22 points in the game at Shippensburg, while senior guard Tyrone Mason led Edinboro with 31 points in the home victory. Shippensburg last defeated the Scots in the 1994-95 season, as they nipped EUP, 74-71. Walcavich is 11-3 vs. Shippensburg since arriving at Edinboro.

"We have been playing very well lately and getting some solid contributions from a lot of people," said Walcavich. "It's always important to get off to a good start in conference play, and so far we have been able to achieve that."

Shippensburg, led by 27th year head coach Rodger Goodling, enters the contest at 5-10 overall and 1-1 in the PSAC-West. In their last game (Jan. 15), the Red Raiders dropped a 65-63 decision to Lock Haven University. Despite having four different starters scoring in double figures, Shippensburg could not overcome a 32-21 half-time deficit. Junior forward Kevin Lee and senior guard Brandon White both had a team-high 15 points for the 'Ship. White also had the Red Raiders only three-point basket in the contest. Shippensburg opened up PSAC-West play with a victory at Slippery Rock (80-70 on Jan. 11). Statistical leaders for Shippensburg include: Lee (16 ppg, 10.0 rpg), freshman forward Wayne Morris (1.7 blkpg, 2.1 stpg) and junior guard Tyrone Burton (3.2 apg). Shippensburg is 3-5 on the road this season.

Probable Starting Lineups

Edinboro:

No.	Name	Ht	Cl	Pos	1996-97
20	Brian Ellis	6-7	Sr	C	9.5 ppg, 6.6 rpg
24	Dean Doss	6-0	Jr	G	5.0 ppg, 4.7 apg
25	Jesse Ogden	6-4	Jr	F	15.1 ppg, 4.1 3-pt fg/g
40	Bill Besser	6-7	Fr	C	2.8 ppg, 2.9 rpg, 1.5 blkpg
45	Michael Cassidy	6-3	Jr	G	7.9 ppg, 2.2 stpg

Shippensburg:

No.	Name	Ht	Cl	Pos	1996-97
10	Tyrone Burton	6-2	Jr	G	13.1 ppg, 3.7 rpg
20	Rich Rhinehart	6-5	Sr	G	10.7 ppg, 3.5 rpg
32	Brandon White	6-3	Sr	G	11.9 ppg, 3.4 rpg
44	Wayne Morris	6-6	Fr	F	12.6 ppg, 8.1 rpg
54	Kevin Lee	6-8	Jr	F	6.8 ppg, 10.0 rpg

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EDINBORO UNIVERSITY FIGHTING SCOTS

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown/High School
20	Brian Ellis	F	6-7	230	Sr	Erie, PA/Academy
24	Dean Doss	G	6-0	176	Sr	East Cleveland, OH/Shaw
25	Jesse Ogden	G	6-4	195	Jr	Georgetown, ONT/Bishop Redding
31	John Saunders	G	6-2	180	Jr	Pittsburgh, PA/Langley
33	Tim Miller	G	6-2	185	Sr	Linesville, PA/Linesville
34	Corey Keyes	F	6-4	235	Sr	Homestead, PA/Steel Valley
40	Bill Besser	F	6-7	205	Fr	Jamestown, PA/Jamestown Area
44	Antoine Jefferson	F	6-6	200	Sr	Philadelphia, PA/Franklin Learn.
45	Michael Cassidy	G	6-3	210	Jr	Philadelphia, PA/Mastbaum Tech
50	Matt Kossick	C	6-7	285	Fr	Cooperstown, PA/Rocky Grove

Head Coach: Greg Walcavich (Rutgers, 1973)

Assistant Coach: Brian Cupps (Wichita State, 1994)

SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY RED RAIDERS

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown/High School
10	Tyrone Burton	G	6-2	165	Jr	West Chester, PA/ Henderson
11	Joel Bobier	G	5-10	160	Jr	Reading, PA/Wilson
12	Mike Nestor	F	6-5	175	So	Collingdale, PA/Monsignor Bonner
14	Nathan Weldon	F	6-5	190	Fr	Duncannon, PA/Susquenita
20	Rich Rhinehart	G	6-5	192	Sr	Marriottsville, MD/Towson Catholic
21	Shawn Yohe	G	6-2	180	Fr	Biglerville, PA/Biglerville
23	Jamie Ware	G	5-11	150	Fr	Steelton, PA/Steelton-Highspire
24	Pat Snyder	G	5-11	170	Sr	Saxton, PA/Tussey Mountain
30	Jason Lester	F	6-3	182	Fr	Harrisburg, PA/Harrisburg
32	Brandon White	G	6-3	182	Sr	Harrisburg, PA/Harrisburg Christian
34	Chris Jones	F	6-5	210	Fr	Lancaster, PA/Conestoga Valley
44	Wayne Morris	F	6-6	205	Fr	Philedelphia, PA/Carver HSES
50	Brian Anderson	C	6-10	215	Fr	Chester, N. Y./Burke Catholic
54	Kevin Lee	F	6-8	210	Jr	Havertown, PA/Monsignor Bonner

Head Coach: Rodger Goodling

Assistant Coaches: Ron Rainey, Keith Heinerichs, Guillermo Casquero