



SCAC DIAMOND WEEKLY

BASEBALL REPORT

SOUTHERN COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

NCAA Division III

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2008 SCAC Baseball Tournament

- April 25-27, 2008 (Fri-Sat-Sun)
- Hosted by Centre College, Danville, KY
- Four Team Field, Double-elimination
- Qualify: Four winners of SCAC Divisional Series
- Champion: SCAC automatic qualifier to NCAA Division III Tournament

NCAA Championship Tournament

- Regional Championships: May 8-11 (on campus)
- Division III World Series: May 15-18 (Salem, Va.)

2007 SEASON REVIEW

SCAC Champion
Austin College

NCAA Championship Participant
Austin College
(lost in NCAA West Regional)

WEB LINKS

www.ncaa.org
www.ncaasports.com
www.scac-online.org/baseball
www.d3baseball.com
www.abca.org

FEBRUARY 11, 2008

CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Games through February 10 (Sunday)

EASTERN DIVISION	Conference			Overall			Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Oglethorpe University	0	0	0.000	2	1	0.667	W2
*Birmingham-Southern	0	0	0.000	2	2	0.500	L2
Centre College	0	0	0.000	0	0	0.000	L1
DePauw University	0	0	0.000	0	0	0.000	W1
Sewanee-Univ. of the South	0	0	0.000	0	0	0.000	L9
Rhodes College	0	0	0.000	0	3	0.000	L5

WESTERN DIVISION	Conference			Overall			Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Millsaps College	0	0	0.000	3	0	1.000	W3
Austin College	0	0	0.000	1	2	0.333	L1
Trinity University	0	0	0.000	0	0	0.000	L1
Southwestern University	0	0	0.000	0	0	0.000	L2
Hendrix College	0	0	0.000	0	7	0.000	L11

*BSC will not be eligible for the conference championship.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, February 11 – Sunday, February 17

Tuesday, February 12

Mississippi College @ Millsaps (1-9) 6 p.m.
Southwestern @ Howard Payne (Texas) University (1-9) 2 p.m.

Wednesday, February 13

Piedmont (Ga.) College @ Oglethorpe (1-9) 5 p.m.
University of Texas-Dallas @ Southwestern (1-9) 2 p.m.

Thursday, February 14

William Jewell (Mo.) College @ Austin College (2-7) 2 p.m.

Friday, February 15

Oglethorpe @ Reinhardt (Ga.) College (1-9) 2 p.m.
Trinity @ Concordia University at Austin (1-9) 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 16

Austin College @ University of the Ozarks (Ark.) (2-7) 2 p.m.
Birmingham-Southern @ Maryville (Tenn.) College (2-7) 1 p.m.
Hendrix @ University of Texas-Dallas (2-7) Noon
Millsaps @ Emory (Ga.) University (1-9) 1 p.m.
Huntingdon (Ala.) College @ Rhodes (1-9) Noon
Schreiner (Texas) University @ Southwestern (2-7) 1 p.m.
Trinity @ Concordia University at Austin (1-9) 7 p.m.

Sunday, February 17

Austin College @ University of the Ozarks (Ark.) (1-9) Noon
Hendrix @ University of Texas-Dallas (1-9) Noon
Millsaps @ Emory (Ga.) University (1-9) 1 p.m.
Washington & Lee (Va.) University @ Oglethorpe (1-9) 1 p.m.
Huntingdon (Ala.) College @ Rhodes (1-9) 1 p.m.
Schreiner (Texas) University @ Southwestern (1-9) 1 p.m.
Concordia University at Austin @ Trinity (1-9) 2 p.m.

All times local / **SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS**

2008 SCAC BASEBALL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Week 1 Quinn Salmon, Millsaps
Week 2
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Week 5
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Week 10
Week 11
Week 12
Week 13

2008 SCAC BASEBALL PITCHERS OF THE WEEK

Week 1 Tyler Steed, Austin College
Aaron Williams, Millsaps College
Week 2
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Week 13

SCAC PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Games of February 2 – February 10

QUINN SALMON OF MILLSAPS COLLEGE, a 6-2, 200-pound senior first baseman from Lafayette, La., has been named the SCAC Offensive Baseball Player-of-the-Week for games played Saturday, February 2 through Sunday, February 10.

After backing up Luke Morrow at first base the previous three seasons and getting his first chance as a regular starter for the Majors in 2008, **Salmon** had a breakout weekend, going a combined 7-for-10 at the plate with 12 RBIs, eight runs scored, three home runs (grand slam) and two doubles to help lead Millsaps to a three-game weekend sweep at the Wilson/DeMarini Classic in Jackson.

Salmon picked up his first career home run on Friday in an 18-9 win over LaGrange in odd fashion, chugging around the bases after the ball stayed in the park to record the rare inside-the-park home run. An inning later, he added to a monster day with a grand slam over the left centerfield wall, followed by a pair of RBI-singles to finish the day 4-for-5 from the plate with a total of nine RBIs.

Other outstanding individual performances in the SCAC:

Sophomore shortstop Andy White of Austin College got off to a strong start to the 2008 season, hitting .333 (4-of-12) with two doubles, a triple, four runs scored, and four runs batted in as the 'Roos took on 17th-ranked Texas Lutheran in a three-game set. White knocked in a pair of runs in a 10-0 victory over TLU and followed that up with a 2-for-5 performance at the plate in a 15-7 loss. First-year third baseman Brent Lindsey of Rhodes hit his first collegiate home run as he had a grand slam against LaGrange this weekend. Lindsey finished the game going 2 for 5 with a home run, a double and five RBIs. Birmingham-Southern, Hendrix and Oglethorpe did not nominate anyone for the award, and Centre, DePauw, Sewanee, Southwestern and Trinity did not play.

SCAC PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Games of February 2 – February 10

TYLER STEED OF AUSTIN COLLEGE, a first-year right-hander from McKinney, Texas, and **AARON WILLIAMS OF MILLSAPS COLLEGE**, a first-year right-hander from Covington, La., have been selected the SCAC Baseball Co-Pitchers-of-the-Week for games played from Saturday, February 2 through Sunday, February 10.

Steed opened his college career with a strong performance against 17th-ranked Texas Lutheran, pitching a complete game shutout in a 10-0 victory.

Steed struck out three while walking just one and scattering five hits in the game, and needed just 86 pitches to pick up the win.

Williams in his first career collegiate start, helped the Majors to an 8-2 victory over the SCAC preseason favorite Rhodes College at home to complete a 3-0 weekend.

In 5.0 innings of work, **Williams** tossed a one-hitter, while scattering six strikeouts against just two walks.

Other outstanding individual performances in the SCAC:

Junior right-hander Andy Holt of Rhodes pitched a solid 7.0 innings, picking up the loss against University of the Ozarks. Holt gave up just six hits, one earned run while walking one and striking out five. Birmingham-Southern, Hendrix and Oglethorpe did not nominate anyone for the award, and Centre, DePauw, Sewanee, Southwestern and Trinity did not play.

RESULTS

Games of February 2 – February 10

Saturday, February 2

Univ. of Dallas 3, Hendrix 0
Univ. of Dallas 6, Hendrix 1

Sunday, February 3

Univ. of Dallas 18, Hendrix 12

Tuesday, February 5

Univ. of the Ozarks 15, Hendrix 7

Wednesday, February 6

LaGrange 14, Oglethorpe 2

Friday, February 8

Univ. of the Ozarks 5, Rhodes 2
Millsaps 18, LaGrange 9

Saturday, February 9

Birmingham-Southern 8, Greensboro 7
Birmingham-Southern 5, Greensboro 2
Millsaps 6, Univ. of the Ozarks 5
Oglethorpe 3, Maryville (Tenn.) 2
Oglethorpe 6, Maryville (Tenn.) 2
#16 Univ. of Texas-Tyler 21, Hendrix 6
#16 Univ. of Texas-Tyler 19, Hendrix 3
#17 Texas Lutheran 7, Austin College 2
Austin College 10, #17 Texas Lutheran 0
LaGrange 11, Rhodes 6

Sunday, February 10

#17 Texas Lutheran 15, Austin College 7
#16 Univ. of Texas-Tyler 15, Hendrix 2
Millsaps 8, Rhodes 2
Spring Hill 10, Birmingham-Southern 0
Spring Hill 7, Birmingham-Southern 5

SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS

D3baseball.com ranking noted when applicable

AROUND THE SCAC

Austin College had some highs and lows in its season-opening series against Texas Lutheran over the weekend, splitting a doubleheader on Saturday and falling in an ugly game on Sunday afternoon. After dropping a 7-2 game to open Saturday's doubleheader, the 'Roos got a superb pitching performance from freshman Tyler Steed, making the first start of his collegiate career and picking up a 10-0 victory. Steed threw seven shutout innings, striking out three while walking just one and scattered five hits. Bobby Schleizer hit a two-run homer in the game, and Andy White had a strong opening weekend batting .333 with two doubles, a triple, four runs scored, and four runs batted in.

Birmingham-Southern opened the 2008 season with a pair of doubleheaders, hosting undefeated Greensboro College on Saturday and traveling south to Mobile, Ala., for a doubleheader against Spring Hill College on Sunday. BSC swept Greensboro College by the scores of 8-7 in eight innings and 5-2 in the night cap. BSC scored seven unanswered runs to rally from a 7-1 deficit in game one. Bryan Higginbotham delivered a bases loaded triple to highlight a four-run fifth that kick started the comeback rally. Josh Whitaker would score the game winning run when he beat the throw home on a Brandon Ricco fielder's choice. Alex Goodsell was the winning pitcher, tossing a scoreless eighth inning. In game two, the Panthers held a 3-2 lead in the sixth before Sam Hill's two-run double gave BSC a 5-2 lead. Clay Malcolm picked up the win, tossing 5 1/3 innings with three strikeouts and allowing two runs on two hits. Patrick Martin worked 1 2/3 innings with two strikeouts to pick up the save. Spring Hill College swept a doubleheader on Sunday, winning 10-0 in five innings and 7-5 in game two. BSC held a 5-3 lead into the sixth inning of game two before Spring Hill erupted for four runs in the bottom half of the sixth to win game two. BSC hits the road for a doubleheader at Maryville College on Saturday at 1 p.m. in Maryville, Tenn.

Centre has not played. The Colonels open on Feb. 23 against North Central (Ill.) College.

DePauw has not played. The Tigers open on Feb. 24 against Transylvania (Ky.) University.

Hendrix opened its 2008 season with seven straight losses. The Warriors traveled to the No. 16 ranked University of Texas-Tyler this weekend for a doubleheader on Saturday and a nine-inning affair on Sunday. Hendrix dropped the first game to the Patriots, 21-6, and lost the nightcap, 19-3. The Warriors ended their road trip with a 15-2 loss to UT-Tyler on Sunday. Sophomore Eric Mathis is leading the squad with a .440 batting average (11-of-25, 4 runs, 4 doubles, 1 home run, 10 runs batted in) and a .720 slugging percentage. First year Jeff Forgerson is batting .379 (11-of-29, 7 runs, 2 doubles, 5 runs batted in) and leads the team with a 4.76 ERA (5.2 IP, 7 hits allowed, 5 runs allowed, 3 earned runs allowed, 5 walks, 4 strikeouts).

NATIONAL, REGIONAL POLLS

D3BASEBALL.COM TOP 25

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Poll	Date	Team	Rank
Pre	J22	Rhodes.....	RV
		Millsaps.....	RV

ABCA TOP 25

www.abca.org

Poll	Date	Team	Rank
Pre	D26	Rhodes.....	RV
		Millsaps.....	RV

For complete team and individual statistics and box scores for all games, click to the official website of SCAC Baseball:

<http://www.scac-online.org/baseball>

AROUND THE SCAC

Millsaps completed a three-game weekend sweep at home in the inaugural Wilson/DeMarini Classic to improve to 3-0 on the year, defeating LaGrange College 18-9 on Friday, Ozarks (Ark.) 6-5 on Saturday and preseason SCAC favorite Rhodes College 8-2 on Sunday. After backing up Luke Morrow at first base the previous three seasons and getting his first chance as a regular starter for the Majors in 2008, senior Quinn Salmon had a breakout weekend, going a combined 7-for-10 at the plate with 12 RBIs, eight runs scored, three home runs (grand slam) and two doubles. He was followed up offensively by D3baseball.com Preseason All-America Hunter Owen who went 4-for-6 with four RBIs, two homers and seven walks. On the mound, seniors Travis Bogue and Brandon Ingram both picked up a win in strong outings, while freshman Aaron Williams, in his first career collegiate start, tossed a 1-hitter against Rhodes in 5.0 innings of work to go along with six strikeouts. The Majors will wrap up a four-game homestand to start the year on Tuesday, hosting cross-town rival Miss. College in the opening game of the Cowboy Maloney Trophy Series. First pitch is slated for 6 p.m. at Twenty Field and can be heard live on www.espnradio1240.com and on 1240 AM in the Jackson area.

Oglethorpe opened its season this past week, going 2-1 in three non-conference games. In the season-opener against LaGrange on Anderson Field, the Panthers jumped on the Petrels early and parlayed a few defensive miscues into a 14-2 defeat of Oglethorpe. On Saturday, however, the Petrels bounced back with two strong performances to sweep a doubleheader against Maryville College. Solid pitching and steady defense paved the way for Oglethorpe to take game one, 3-2 and game two, 6-2. Sophomore right-hander Sam Briend pitched three perfect innings in relief to pick up the win in game one as the Petrels pushed across the winning run in the bottom of the sixth inning when Chris Lucas came home on a passed ball. In game two, junior Sean Tuttle baffled the Maryville batters for six innings, allowing only two earned runs. The Petrels put the game away in the bottom of the sixth inning as Matt Anderson stroked a two-run double en route to Oglethorpe posting a three-spot. Oglethorpe is back in action this Wednesday afternoon when they host Piedmont College at 5 p.m.

Rhodes had a disappointing weekend as the Lynx dropped their first three games of the 2008 season. On Friday, Rhodes lost to the University of Ozarks, 5-2. Andy Holt pitched a solid 7.0 innings in the loss, giving up only one earned run and striking out five. On Saturday Rhodes fell to LaGrange College, 11-6. The highlight of the game was freshmen newcomer Brent Lindsey as he went 2 for 5 with a grand slam and five RBI. Sunday, Rhodes fell to host Millsaps 8-2. Rhodes will be opening their home season with a two-game set against Huntingdon (Ala.) College on Saturday & Sunday at 1:00.

Sewanee has not played. The Tigers open on Feb. 23 at Birmingham-Southern College.

Southwestern has not played. The Pirates open on Feb. 12 at Howard Payne (Texas) University.

Trinity has not played. The Tigers open on Feb. 15 at Concordia (Texas) University at Austin.