



SCAC HOOPS WEEKLY

MEN'S BASKETBALL REPORT

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NCAA Division III

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2008 SCAC Men's Championship Tournament
[\(official website\)](#)

- February 29, March 1-2, 2008 (Fri-Sat-Sun)
- Hosted by Hendrix College, Conway, AR
- Eight Team Field, Single-elimination
- Qualify: Top four teams from each division
- Champion: SCAC automatic qualifier to NCAA Division III Championship

NCAA Championship Tournament

- First Round: March 5-7 (on campus)
- Second Round: March 7-8 (on campus)
- Sectionals: March 14-15 (on campus)
- Semifinals/Finals: March 21-22 (Salem, Va.)

2006-07 SEASON REVIEW

SCAC Champion
Centre College

NCAA Championship Participants

Centre College
(lost in Second Round)
DePauw University
(lost in First Round)

WEB LINKS

www.ncaa.org
www.ncaasports.com
www.scac-online.org/basketball_mens
www.d3hoops.com

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CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Games through January 13 (Sunday)

EASTERN DIVISION	Conference			Overall			Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Centre College	4	0	1.000	12	1	0.923	W12
Oglethorpe University	3	1	0.750	8	5	0.615	W2
DePauw University	2	2	0.500	10	4	0.714	L1
Rhodes College	1	3	0.250	6	8	0.429	L2
Sewanee-Univ. of the South	0	4	0.000	5	8	0.385	L3
*Birmingham-Southern	0	0	0.000	8	5	0.615	W1

WESTERN DIVISION	Conference			Overall			Streak
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Millsaps College	5	0	1.000	12	1	0.923	W9
Trinity University	4	1	0.800	11	2	0.846	W1
Hendrix College	3	2	0.600	9	4	0.692	W3
Southwestern University	2	3	0.400	5	8	0.385	L5
Austin College	1	4	0.200	4	9	0.308	L2
Colorado College	0	5	0.000	0	13	0.000	L13

*BSC will not be eligible for the conference championship and all conference games against them will not count in the league standings.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, January 14 – Sunday, January 20

Monday, January 14

Millsaps @ University of Dallas 6 p.m.

Tuesday, January 15

Austin College @ LeTourneau (Texas) University 7 p.m.

Friday, January 18

CENTRE @ AUSTIN COLLEGE 8 P.M.

BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN @ SOUTHWESTERN 8 P.M.

DEPAUW @ COLORADO COLLEGE 8 P.M.

SEWANEE @ HENDRIX 8 P.M.

OGLETHORPE @ MILLSAPS 8 P.M.

RHODES @ TRINITY 8 P.M.

Saturday, January 19

RHODES @ SOUTHWESTERN 8 P.M.

Sunday, January 20

DEPAUW @ AUSTIN COLLEGE 2 P.M.

BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN @ TRINITY 2 P.M.

CENTRE @ COLORADO COLLEGE 2 P.M.

OGLETHORPE @ HENDRIX 3 P.M.

SEWANEE @ MILLSAPS 3 P.M.

All times local
SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS

**2007-08 MEN'S BASKETBALL
PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

- Week 1 Andrew King, Hendrix
- Week 2 Mike Moore, DePauw
Ben Pursell, Sewanee
- Week 3 Matt Nestheide, Centre
- Week 4 Jared Hoskins, Rhodes
- Week 5 Andrew King, Hendrix
- Week 6 Brian Oilar, DePauw
Rodney Rogan, Millsaps
- Week 7 Kola Alade, Austin College
- Week 8 Edrick Montgomery, Millsaps
- Week 9
- Week 10
- Week 11
- Week 12
- Week 13

SCAC PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Games of January 7 – January 13

EDRICK MONTGOMERY OF MILLSAPS COLLEGE, a 6-6, 220-pound senior forward from Pearl, Miss., has been selected the SCAC Men's Basketball Player-of-the-Week for games played from Monday, January 7 through Sunday, January 13.

Montgomery averaged 25.0 points and 14.0 boards, while posting his 21st and 22nd career double-doubles in the Majors' weekend sweep over SCAC foes Colorado College and Austin.

He shot a combined 46.2 percent (18 of 39) from the floor and 70 percent (14 of 20) from the charity stripe.

The senior poured in a season and game-high 28 points and grabbed 13 boards against the Tigers, scoring 14-straight points over a 2:38 span late in the game to turn a four-point lead into an 11-point win. He also picked up a pair of blocks in the game to move into fifth all-time on the Millsaps career blocks list with 80.

Against the 'Roos, **Montgomery** scored a game-high 22 points to go along with a game-high 15 rebounds in 27 minutes of work.

For the season, **Montgomery** is averaging 13.5 points (15th in the SCAC) and 9.0 rebounds per game (third in the SCAC). He is also averaging 1.58 steals (ninth in the SCAC).

Other outstanding performances in the SCAC:

Sophomore guard Cal Rose of Hendrix scored 22 points against Austin and a season-high 24 against Colorado in two SCAC road wins for the Warriors. Rose was 7 of 15 from the field and 6 of 7 from the penalty stripe against Austin. He was 6 of 11 from the field, including 4-of-8 from 3-point land, and 8-of-11 from the free throw line against Colorado College. For the weekend, Rose averaged 23.0 points per game and shot 50.0 percent (13-26) from the field and 77.8 percent (14-18) from the foul line. First-year forward Todd Ward of Oglethorpe had a stat-stuffing line of 15 points, six rebounds, five assists, six steals and two blocks as the Petrels defeated Sewanee, 62-59. Ward hit on 6 of 10 shots from the field. Junior guard T.C. Thomason of Centre averaged 15.0 points and 6.5 rebounds in helping the Colonels to two SCAC road wins last week. In Centre's 77-53 win over Birmingham Southern Friday, Thomason scored 13 points with three rebounds and an assist in only 19 minutes of action. Two days later, the junior guard posted his second double-double of the season with 17 points, 10 rebounds, one assist and one steal in the Colonels 84-77 win over Rhodes. In the two games combined, he connected on 12 of his 16 shot attempts, including three of his five three-point attempts and both free throws. Thomason is currently averaging 14.1 points per game. Sophomore guard Daniel Hudson of Birmingham-Southern averaged 13.0 points and 3.5 rebounds while making 50 percent (8-of-16) from the floor, 37 percent (3-of-8) on three-point field goals and 87.5 percent (7-of-8) from the free throw line to help BSC to a 1-1 weekly record. He scored 16 points and had four rebounds in BSC's 78-63 win over DePauw on Sunday. He made 5-of-8 field goals (62.5 percent) with one three-pointer and was 5-of-6 from the free throw line. On Friday, Hudson had 10 points and three boards in a 77-53 loss to Centre. Junior forward Jonathan Lewis of Trinity scored a career-high 11 points to lead the Tigers to a 68-52 victory over Southwestern on Saturday evening. Lewis hit 3 of 9 from the field and 4 of 4 from the free throw line on his way to 11 points. He also recorded a career-best five blocks in the game, as well as grabbing four rebounds in just 21 minutes of action. For the season, Lewis is sixth on the team in scoring, averaging 4.8 points per game. He leads the team with 16 total blocks in 13 games, and is pulling down 4.3 rebounds per game this season. Sophomore forward Chris Sturtevant of Austin College put up some big numbers over the weekend for the 'Roos, averaging 18.0 points and 8.5 rebounds while hitting 4-of-8 attempts from beyond the arc and shooting 46.7% from the field overall. Sturtevant scored a career-best 22 points and added nine rebounds as the 'Roos were narrowly edged by Hendrix, and finished the weekend with a 14-point, eight-rebound, two-block effort against Millsaps. Colorado College, DePauw, Rhodes, Sewanee and Southwestern did not nominate anyone for the award.

RESULTS

Games of January 7 – January 13

Tuesday, January 8

Rhodes 72, Univ. of Dallas 57

Friday, January 11

HENDRIX 60, AUSTIN COLLEGE 57
CENTRE 77, BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN 53
DEPAUW 82, RHODES 56
MILLSAPS 94, COLORADO COLLEGE 83

Saturday, January 12

TRINITY 68, SOUTHWESTERN 52
OGLETHORPE 62, SEWANEE 59
HENDRIX 103, COLORADO COLLEGE 97 – 2OT

Sunday, January 13

BIRMINGHAM-SOUTHERN 78, DEPAUW 63
MILLSAPS 85, AUSTIN COLLEGE 54
CENTRE 84, RHODES 77

SCAC GAMES BOLDED IN ALL CAPS

D3hoops.com ranking noted when applicable

AROUND THE SCAC

Austin College saw their two game win streak come to a halt as they dropped both ends of their weekend SCAC home stand, with visiting Hendrix narrowly edging the 'Roos 60-57 and division leading Millsaps using a big second half to run past Austin College by a final margin of 85-54. Kola Alade and Chris Sturtevant each had big weeks for the 'Roos, as both sophomores averaged 18.0 points in the two losses. Sturtevant nailed four triples on his way to a career high 22 points in the loss to Hendrix, while Alade contributed a team best 19 points against Millsaps.

Birmingham-Southern split a pair of home games against SCAC foes Centre College and DePauw University to move its record to 8-5 on the year. The Panthers got out to an early 10 point lead but Centre would rally to take a 46-32 lead at the half en route to a 77-53 win on Friday. Mark Messenger had 15 points and Daniel Hudson pitched in 10 points to lead BSC's scoring. Aaron Parr netted 23 point including four three pointers to lead BSC to a 78-63 win over DePauw on Sunday. The Panthers held a 22-point lead in the second half before DePauw rallied to cut the deficit to five with 3:59 to play. BSC went on a 13-2 run to pull way for the win. BSC travels to Southwestern University on Friday at 8 p.m. in Georgetown, Texas, before playing Trinity University on Sunday at 2 p.m. in San Antonio, Texas.

#20 Centre extended its winning streak to 12 games last weekend defeating Birmingham Southern 77-53 Friday, followed by an 84-77 win over Rhodes Sunday. The Colonels, now 12-1 overall and 4-0 in the SCAC, shot over 50.0% for the third and fourth consecutive games, posting a season-best 59.6% (31-52) against Birmingham Southern. Centre continued to be balanced offensively as four players scored in double figures in each game. There are currently four players averaging double-figures in points this season for the Colonels. They will look to extend their winning streak this week with two more SCAC road games against Austin and Colorado.

Colorado College lost twice over the weekend, but made valor comeback attempts in both contest after falling behind big early. The Tigers trailed by 19 in the first half and 15 at the break against Millsaps, but cut the lead to seven in the second before falling 94-83. Freshman forward Brady Ohlsen recorded his second double-double of the season with 12 points and 10 rebounds against Millsaps. Ohlsen has led CC in rebounding 11 times in 13 games. CC trailed Hendrix by 17 at the half, but forced overtime after scoring 50 second-half points only to fall 103-97 in double OT. Junior guard Lance Jacobs had a season-high 21 points in the double-overtime loss to Hendrix College. Junior guard Nate Brodman became the 23rd player in CC history to score more than 800 points during the loss to Hendrix. He also moved into sixth place with 152 career three-pointers. Sophomore guard Austin Chapman scored a season-high 18 points against the Warriors. Freshman guard Nick Rose scored a season-high 20 points against Hendrix, his third consecutive game in double figures.

DePauw split its two conference road games over the weekend, defeating Rhodes 82-56 on Friday before falling to Birmingham-Southern, 78-63, on Sunday. DePauw raced to a 21-2 lead in the opening seven minutes on Friday night and never looked back. Brian Oilar scored 11 of his 16 first-half points during the opening run as the Tigers never trailed on the way to a 42-20 halftime lead. DePauw limited Rhodes to just 23.1 percent first-half shooting. The Tigers shot 46.8 percent for the game and knocked down 10-of-22 three-pointers. DePauw committed just five turnovers in the game. Oilar finished with a game-high 21 points and equaled a career-high with 14 rebounds as the Tigers held a 33-30 edge on the boards. Stephen Schott finished with 17 and Mike Moore added 11 along with five assists. On Sunday, DePauw scored 17 straight points during a four-minute stretch of the second half to trim a 22-point deficit to five, but the host BSC Panthers held on for a 78-63 win over the Tigers. Ryan Werntz paced DePauw with 16 points followed by Schott with 14 and Oilar with 10. Schott grabbed seven rebounds and Moore dished out five assists.

Hendrix swept a pair of SCAC road contests this weekend with a 60-57 win over Austin College on Friday and a 103-97 double overtime win against Colorado College on Saturday. The Warriors improved to 9-4 overall and 3-2 in the SCAC. Sophomore Cal Rose tallied a game-high 22 points and junior Andrew King pulled down a career-high 21 rebounds against the Kangaroos. Rose shot 7-of-15 from the field and was 6-of-7 from the free throw line. King recorded seven offensive rebounds and 14 defensive boards. On Saturday, King led all players with 31 points, nine rebounds and six assists in the Warriors' double overtime win against the Tigers. Hendrix shot 66.7 percent from the field in the first half and took a comfortable 47-30 lead into the break. The Warriors struggled in the second period and shot 31 percent from the field, while Colorado scored 50 points in the final period on 50 percent shooting. King's 11-of-12 shooting from the penalty stripe gave Hendrix a much needed edge in the tilt. Rose tallied a season-high 24 points and was 4-of-8 from behind the arc. Junior David Foley added 16 points and a season-high eight boards, while junior Ryan Wible scored 10.

NATIONAL, REGIONAL POLLS

D3HOOPS.COM TOP 25
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Poll	Date	Team	Rank
Pre	O29	Centre.....	RV
		DePauw.....	RV
1	N27	DePauw.....	RV
		Centre.....	RV
		Trinity.....	RV
2	D4	Trinity.....	RV
		Centre.....	RV
		DePauw.....	RV
3	D11	Trinity.....	22
		Centre.....	RV
4	D18	Trinity.....	22
		Centre.....	RV
5	J2	Trinity.....	RV
		Centre.....	RV
		Millsaps.....	RV
6	J7	Centre.....	RV
		Millsaps.....	RV
		Trinity.....	RV
7	J14	Centre.....	20
		Millsaps.....	23
		Trinity.....	RV

NCAA DIVISION III SOUTH REGION POLL
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Poll	Date	Team	Rank
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For complete team and individual statistics and box scores for all games, click to the official website of SCAC Men's Basketball:

http://www.scac-online.org/basketball_mens

AROUND THE SCAC

#23 Millsaps completed a weekend sweep over Colorado College, 94-83, and Austin, 85-54, to improve to 12-1 overall and 5-0 in SCAC play. It marked the first time since the 2000-01 championship season that the Majors started 5-0 (6-0 to start that season). Senior forward Edrick Montgomery took over for the Majors and stepped up for an injured Rodney Rogan, averaging 25 points and 14 boards, while posting his 21st and 22nd career double-doubles. He shot a combined 46 percent (18-of-39) from the floor and 70 percent (14-of-20) from the charity stripe. The senior poured in a season and game-high 28 points against the Tigers, scoring 14-straight points over a 2:38 span late in the game to turn a four-point lead into an 11-point win. He also picked up a pair of blocks in the game to move into fifth all-time on the Millsaps career blocks list with 80. Against the 'Roos, Montgomery scored a game-high 22 points to go along with a game-high 15 rebounds in 27 minutes of work. Millsaps closes out a three-game road swing at the University of Dallas on Monday afternoon at the Maher Center. They are seeking their 10th-straight win overall.

Oglethorpe won its second consecutive road conference game on Saturday night by defeating Sewanee, 62-59. The Petrels forced 22 Tiger turnovers and outscored Sewanee 25-13 in the points off turnovers category to help secure the win. Freshman transfer Todd Ward had the biggest night of his young career for Oglethorpe, posting an incredible stat line that included 15 points, six rebounds, six steals, five assists and two blocks. He led the team in every category except rebounds and did it all in only 24 minutes of clock time. Another freshman, Alex Richey, also scored in double-digits with 10 points and four rebounds. With back-to-back conference road wins, the Petrels are now 8-5 on the season and 3-1 in the SCAC. Oglethorpe is back in action for another road contest this Friday night when they square off with Millsaps in Jackson, Mississippi.

Rhodes opened the week with a 72-57 victory over University of Dallas on Tuesday, but the Lynx ended the week with two conference losses to DePauw and Centre. Cory Smith had a game-high 18 points as the Lynx pulled away in the second half against Dallas. Jared Hoskins with 17 points was the only other Rhodes player in double figures. Rhodes fell behind by 22 at the break against DePauw and never recovered. Smith once again led the way with 16 points and Joe Thompson added 10. The Lynx were just 6 of 26 shooting in the first half. First-year guard Nathan Ollie led the Lynx with a career high 20 points on 9 of 13 shooting as Rhodes played divisional leader Centre to a tough 84-77 decision on Sunday. Smith scored 15 points with Reid Hamilton and Thomspson chipping in 14 and 11, respectively. The Lynx dished out a season-high 17 assists with three different players handing out four apiece. Senior Justin Long was one of those players and also grabbed a team-high 10 rebounds.

Sewanee will hit the road this weekend, trying to pick up some conference wins after going 0-4 in league play so far. The 5-8 Tigers will face Hendrix on Friday and will cap off the weekend at Millsaps. Junior Ben Pursell logged his sixth double-double of the season in Sewanee's near miss versus Oglethorpe last weekend. He is third in the league in scoring and second in rebounding and field goal percent. Bradley pierson had a team high 15 points against the Stormy Petrels and leads the SCAC in 3-pointers made.

Southwestern played Trinity tough for a half but ultimately lost by a 68-52 margin in San Antonio. SU kept it close in the first half and trailed 29-23 at the intermission. However, an 18-1 run by Trinity to open the second half effectively put the Pirates out of the game. Over the final 11:44, Southwestern outscored the Tigers 28-21. Senior Mike Powell led the team with 12 points while sophomore Ross Hayes led all players with eight rebounds. The Pirates' fifth straight loss drops their record to 5-8 on the year and 2-3 in the SCAC. They host Birmingham-Southern and Rhodes this weekend. SU is 4-0 at home this year and over the last eight seasons, the Pirates are 67-31 in their own building.

Trinity won its only game of the week, beating Southwestern 68-52 on Saturday evening. Trinity won its sixth straight game over Southwestern, and won by double digits for only the second time in this series since 2002-03. Patrick Robinson led the team in scoring for the fifth straight game, scoring 13 points on 5 of 7 shooting. Jonathan Lewis finished with a career-high 11 points and five blocks, as well as pulling down four rebounds. Nick Polidororff grabbed a team-best seven rebounds to go with seven points off the bench. The Tigers continue SCAC play this weekend, facing off against Rhodes and Birmingham-Southern. Trinity is 17-21 against Rhodes since the 1984-85 season, but the team has won seven of the last nine meetings. Each of the past five contests has been decided by less than 10 points, including last year's 83-79 win by Trinity. The game with Birmingham-Southern will be the first meeting in that series.