

MEN'S BASKETBALL Weekly Release #12 - Feb. 16, 2009

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Recent Results

Monday, Feb. 9

Trinity 86 at Clark 75

Tuesday, Feb. 10

Conn. College 79 at Mitchell 60
Bowdoin 56 at Bridgewater St. 68
Thomas 58 at Colby 63

Thursday, Feb. 12

Bates 52 at Gordon 64

Friday, Feb. 13

Wesleyan 46 at Bowdoin 72 *
Conn. College 47 at Colby 61 *
Williams 89 at Amherst 78 *
Middlebury 78 at Trinity 76 2OT*

Saturday, Feb. 14

Conn. College 51 at Bowdoin 56 *
Tufts 65 at Bates 77 *
Williams 73 at Trinity 83 *
Wesleyan 56 at Colby 68 *
Middlebury 64 at Amherst 71 *

Upcoming Games

Monday, Feb. 16

Wesleyan at Bard 7:00

Saturday, Feb. 21

**2009 NESCAC MEN'S BASKETBALL
CHAMPIONSHIP - Quarterfinals**

No. 7 Trinity at No. 2 Amherst 2:00
No. 8 Conn. College at No. 1 Middlebury 3:00
No. 6 Bates at No. 3 Williams 3:00
No. 5 Bowdoin at No. 4 Colby 3:00

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2008-09 Standings

		NESCAC					Overall				
		W	L	W%	PS	PA	W	L	W%	PS	PA
1	Middlebury	8	1	.889	666	571	21	3	.875	1753	1455
2	Amherst	7	2	.778	668	565	19	5	.792	1832	1497
3	Williams	6	3	.667	686	593	16	8	.667	1830	1534
4	Colby	6	3	.667	624	586	17	7	.708	1706	1507
5	Bowdoin	5	4	.556	569	552	16	8	.667	1563	1382
6	Bates	4	5	.444	564	577	13	11	.542	1597	1532
7	Trinity	4	5	.444	576	599	9	14	.391	1598	1613
8	Connecticut College	2	7	.222	534	615	13	11	.542	1562	1562
9	Wesleyan	2	7	.222	537	622	6	17	.261	1482	1626
10	Tufts	1	8	.111	645	789	9	15	.375	1782	1901

Men's Basketball Player of the Week

Luke MacDougall, Trinity

(Sophomore, Forward - Baldwinsville, N.Y.)

MacDougall averaged 21.7 points and 7.7 rebounds per game during a 2-1 week for the defending NESCAC Men's Basketball Champions in the final week of the regular season. Tuesday evening at Clark, MacDougall led Trinity in scoring with 20 points and six boards in an 86-75 victory. He followed on Friday evening with a game- and career-high 30 points along with six rebounds in a 78-76 double-overtime setback to Middlebury. MacDougall closed the week with 15 points, nine rebounds and three assists in an 83-73 win over Williams on Saturday. For the week, MacDougall shot .629 from the field (22-for-35), .583 from three-point range (7-for-12) and .737 from the foul line (14-for-19).

Notes: Middlebury earned the number-one seed for the 2009 NESCAC Men's Basketball Championship last week. It is the first time in tournament history that the Panthers have captured the top spot. Middlebury claimed the highest seed on Friday evening with a double-overtime win at Trinity combined with a Williams win at Amherst. The Panthers will face eighth-seeded Connecticut College on Saturday afternoon in the quarterfinals. Second-seeded Amherst rebounded from its Friday night loss with a victory over Middlebury on Saturday, spoiling the Panthers' attempt at a perfect conference record. The Lord Jeffs will host seventh seed and defending NESCAC Men's Basketball Champion Trinity. Third-seeded Williams will take on sixth-seeded Bates, while fourth-seeded Colby will battle fifth-seeded Bowdoin. The Mules are hosting a quarterfinal contest for the first time since 2001. Teams that advance out of this weekend's quarterfinals will meet in the semifinals on Saturday, Feb. 28 at the highest remaining seed ... **Amherst** sophomore guard Conor Meehan (Meriden, Conn.) averaged 17.5 points, 4.0 rebounds and 2.0 steals during a 1-1 week for the Lord Jeffs. Meehan posted 23 points along with five assists, four steals and no turnovers in an 89-78 loss to Williams on Friday...**Bates** junior forward Jimmy O'Keefe (Lexington, Mass.) had team-highs of 16 points and seven boards in 22 minutes of action, leading the Bobcats to a 77-65 win over Tufts on Saturday...**Bowdoin** senior forward Kyle Jackson (Acton, Mass.) became just the ninth player in program history to surpass 1,000 points and 500 rebounds with 22 points and nine rebounds during victories over Wesleyan and Connecticut College last week...**Colby** junior forward Adam Choice (Newport, R.I.) averaged 19.0 points and 8.3 rebounds while shooting .629 from the floor (22-for-35) in a 3-0 week for the Mules. Choice posted 28 points on 10-of-13 shooting (.769) along with 12 rebounds in Saturday's 68-56 win over Wesleyan...**Connecticut College** junior guard Shavar Bernier (Dover, N.H.) averaged 15.0 points over three games last week, going 11-for-21 from three-point range. He scored the 800th point of his career in a 16-point effort at Colby on Friday...**Middlebury** senior guard Ben Rudin (Scarsdale, N.Y.) averaged 26.0 points, 5.0 rebounds and 3.5 assists per game for the Panthers in a 1-1 week. Rudin had a career-best 29 points along with seven rebounds in Saturday's 71-64 setback at Amherst...**Tufts** junior Jon Pierce (Belmont, Mass.) finished the season with 521 points, the seventh-highest single-season total in Tufts history. His 1,434 career points through three seasons are eighth all-time...**Wesleyan** freshman Jason Mendell (Bedford, N.Y.) averaged 15.5 points over the Cardinals' two outings in Maine, running his string of double-digit scoring games to 13 and 19 of the team's 23 contests this season...**Williams** freshman guard James Wang (Sydney, Australia) averaged 13.5 points on 8-of-16 shooting in a 1-1 week for the Ephs. In Friday's win at Amherst, Wang had 19 points, five rebounds and four assists. He was also 11-for-12 (.919) from the free-throw line for the week.

2008-09 NESCAC MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM STATISTICS

Through games of February 15, 2009 (All games)

SCORING OFFENSE

##	Team	GP	W-L	Pts	Avg/G
1.	Amherst	24	19-5	1832	76.3
2.	Williams	24	16-8	1830	76.2
3.	Tufts	24	9-15	1782	74.2
4.	Middlebury	24	21-3	1753	73.0
5.	Colby	24	17-7	1706	71.1
6.	Trinity	23	9-14	1598	69.5
7.	Bates	24	13-11	1597	66.5
8.	Bowdoin	24	16-8	1563	65.1
9.	Connecticut College	24	13-11	1562	65.1
10.	Wesleyan	23	6-17	1482	64.4

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGES

##	Team	GP	FG	FGA	Pct
1.	Amherst	24	682	1457	.468
2.	Colby	24	635	1358	.468
3.	Connecticut College	24	564	1207	.467
4.	Bowdoin	24	592	1292	.458
5.	Williams	24	600	1331	.451
6.	Tufts	24	637	1459	.437
7.	Bates	24	573	1313	.436
8.	Middlebury	24	644	1486	.433
9.	Wesleyan	23	571	1321	.432
10.	Trinity	23	537	1303	.412

FREE THROW PERCENTAGES

##	Team	GP	FTM	FTA	Pct
1.	Williams	24	413	548	.754
2.	Trinity	23	404	543	.744
3.	Bates	24	334	461	.725
4.	Connecticut College	24	255	364	.701
5.	Colby	24	317	455	.697
6.	Bowdoin	24	249	370	.673
7.	Amherst	24	280	426	.657
8.	Tufts	24	347	529	.656
9.	Middlebury	24	325	513	.634
10.	Wesleyan	23	213	340	.626

SCORING DEFENSE

##	Team	GP	Pts	Avg/G
1.	Bowdoin	24	1382	57.6
2.	Middlebury	24	1455	60.6
3.	Amherst	24	1497	62.4
4.	Colby	24	1507	62.8
5.	Bates	24	1532	63.8
6.	Williams	24	1534	63.9
7.	Connecticut College	24	1562	65.1
8.	Trinity	23	1613	70.1
9.	Wesleyan	23	1626	70.7
10.	Tufts	24	1901	79.2

FIELD GOAL PCT DEFENSE

##	Team	GP	FG	FGA	Pct
1.	Middlebury	24	539	1462	.369
2.	Amherst	24	511	1339	.382
3.	Bowdoin	24	500	1287	.389
4.	Bates	24	531	1350	.393
5.	Williams	24	577	1413	.408
6.	Colby	24	506	1215	.416
7.	Wesleyan	23	587	1386	.424
8.	Trinity	23	566	1287	.440
9.	Connecticut College	24	575	1301	.442
10.	Tufts	24	671	1457	.461

REBOUNDING MARGIN

##	Team	GP	Avg	OAvg	Mar.
1.	Bowdoin	24	36.7	30.3	+6.4
2.	Bates	24	38.5	32.4	+6.1
	Amherst	24	40.2	34.1	+6.1
4.	Colby	24	35.8	30.0	+5.8
5.	Tufts	24	39.3	35.2	+4.1
6.	Middlebury	24	42.2	38.8	+3.4
7.	Wesleyan	23	37.3	35.6	+1.7
8.	Williams	24	35.8	34.7	+1.1
9.	Trinity	23	35.9	36.2	-0.3
10.	Connecticut College	24	29.2	33.2	-4.0

2008-09 NESCAC MEN'S BASKETBALL INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Through games of February 15, 2009 (All games)

SCORING

##	Player-Team	CI	GP	Pts	Avg/G
1.	Jon Pierce-TUF	JR	24	521	21.7
2.	Blake Schultz-WIL	JR	24	432	18.0
3.	Kevin Snyder-WIL	SR	24	405	16.9
4.	Brian Baskauskas-AMH	SR	24	396	16.5
5.	Adam Choice-COL	JR	24	383	16.0
6.	Ben Rudin-MID	SR	24	375	15.6
7.	Shavar Bernier-CONN	JR	24	357	14.9
8.	Jason Mendell-WES	FR	23	328	14.3
9.	Stan Grayson-WES	SR	23	313	13.6
10.	Demetrius Porter-CONN	FR	21	282	13.4
11.	Dave Beyel-TUF	JR	24	322	13.4
12.	Michael Russell-COL	SO	24	311	13.0
13.	Artie Cutrone-COL	SR	23	291	12.7
14.	Steven Wheeler-AMH	JR	19	238	12.5
15.	Mark Phillips-BOW	JR	24	293	12.2
16.	Chris Wilson-BAT	JR	24	285	11.9
17.	Aaron Gallant-TUF	SR	24	282	11.8
18.	Brian Ford-TRI	SO	23	270	11.7
19.	Paul Rowe-TRI	SR	22	254	11.5
20.	Kyle Jackson-BOW	SR	24	266	11.1

ASSISTS

##	Player-Team	CI	GP	A	Avg/G
1.	Ben Rudin-MID	SR	24	108	4.50
2.	Tim Edwards-MID	JR	24	106	4.42
	Mike Hauser-BOW	JR	24	106	4.42
4.	Chris Wilson-BAT	JR	24	105	4.38
5.	Conor Meehan-AMH	SO	24	99	4.12
6.	Artie Cutrone-COL	SR	23	92	4.00
7.	Kevin Snyder-WIL	SR	24	88	3.67
8.	Salah Abdo-TRI	SO	23	72	3.13
9.	Kyle Jackson-BOW	SR	24	75	3.12
10.	Billy Karis-CONN	SR	24	56	2.33

FIELD GOAL PCT (Min. 3.0 made per game)

##	Player-Team	CI	GP	M	A	Pct
1.	Andrew Locke-MID	SO	24	83	134	.619
2.	Mark Phillips-BOW	JR	24	119	197	.604
3.	Stan Grayson-WES	SR	23	137	235	.583
4.	Michael Russell-COL	SO	24	128	236	.542
5.	Tim Lane-BOW	SR	24	91	169	.538
	Dean Lampe-CONN	SO	24	77	143	.538
7.	Will Hanley-BOW	FR	24	76	144	.528
8.	Brian Baskauskas-AMH	SR	24	162	314	.516
9.	Shavar Bernier-CONN	JR	24	123	239	.515
10.	Aaron Smith-MID	SR	19	67	131	.511

REBOUNDING

##	Player-Team	CI	GP	TOT	Avg/G
1.	Jon Pierce-TUF	JR	24	208	8.7
2.	Michael Russell-COL	SO	24	197	8.2
3.	David Maltz-WES	SO	23	182	7.9
4.	Aaron Smith-MID	SR	19	136	7.2
5.	Stan Grayson-WES	SR	23	164	7.1
6.	Blake Schultz-WIL	JR	24	156	6.5
7.	Brian Baskauskas-AMH	SR	24	151	6.3
8.	Andrew Locke-MID	SO	24	144	6.0
9.	Tim Edwards-MID	JR	24	142	5.9
10.	Luke MacDougall-TRI	SO	23	132	5.7
11.	Adam Choice-COL	JR	24	135	5.6
12.	Jeff Holmes-AMH	FR	22	123	5.6
13.	Ryan Sharry-MID	FR	24	131	5.5
14.	Tim Lane-BOW	SR	24	130	5.4
15.	Mark Phillips-BOW	JR	24	129	5.4
	Kyle Jackson-BOW	SR	24	129	5.4

STEALS

##	Player-Team	CI	GP	S	Avg/G
1.	Tim Edwards-MID	JR	24	54	2.25
2.	Salah Abdo-TRI	SO	23	41	1.78
3.	Conor Meehan-AMH	SO	24	37	1.54
	Ben Rudin-MID	SR	24	37	1.54
5.	Stan Grayson-WES	SR	23	34	1.48
6.	Shavar Bernier-CONN	JR	24	35	1.46
7.	Blake Schultz-WIL	JR	24	34	1.42
8.	Artie Cutrone-COL	SR	23	31	1.35
9.	Paul Rowe-TRI	SR	22	29	1.32
10.	Michael Russell-COL	SO	24	29	1.21
	Brian Baskauskas-AMH	SR	24	29	1.21
	Adam Choice-COL	JR	24	29	1.21

FREE THROW PCT (Min. 2.0 made per game)

##	Player-Team	CI	GP	M	A	Pct
1.	Aaron Gallant-TUF	SR	24	66	74	.892
2.	Blake Schultz-WIL	JR	24	106	115	.870
3.	Chris Wilson-BAT	JR	24	60	70	.857
4.	Luke MacDougall-TRI	SO	23	59	70	.843
5.	Jason Mendell-WES	FR	23	54	66	.818
6.	Adam Choice-COL	JR	24	84	103	.816
7.	Mark Phillips-BOW	JR	24	55	68	.809
8.	Brian Ford-TRI	SO	23	59	75	.787
9.	Ben Rudin-MID	SR	24	84	108	.778
10.	Kevin Snyder-WIL	SR	24	106	139	.763

BLOCKED SHOTS

##	Player-Team	CI	GP	Blks	Avg/G
1.	Andrew Locke-MID	SO	24	80	3.33
2.	Tom Selby-TUF	JR	24	48	2.00
3.	Mike Holsey-AMH	SR	23	42	1.83
4.	Troy Whittington-WIL	SO	23	40	1.74
5.	Ryan Sharry-MID	FR	24	34	1.42
6.	Mark Phillips-BOW	JR	24	27	1.12
7.	Demetrius Porter-CONN	FR	21	22	1.05
8.	Kyle Jackson-BOW	SR	24	25	1.04
9.	Chris Applegate-TRI		21	19	0.90
10.	G. Gonz.-Kreisberg-WES	SR	23	20	0.87

3-POINT FG PCT (Min. 1.0 made per game)

##	Player-Team	CI	GP	M	A	Pct
1.	Shavar Bernier-CONN	JR	24	64	128	.500
2.	Billy Karis-CONN	SR	24	44	97	.454
3.	Dave Beyel-TUF	JR	24	46	103	.447
4.	Taylor Barrise-AMH	FR	24	27	61	.443
5.	Kevin Snyder-WIL	SR	24	65	148	.439
6.	Gil Haylon-COL	JR	24	32	73	.438
7.	Alex Rubin-WIL	JR	23	28	64	.438
8.	Aaron Gallant-TUF	SR	24	24	55	.436
9.	Ulises Veras-CONN	SR	24	30	69	.435
10.	Ryan O'Connell-BOW	FR	23	23	53	.434