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MSU BASKETBALL NEWSLETTER

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MSU 86 Wayne State 55

The #17 Minnesota State men's basketball team was firing on all cylinders Friday evening as it defeated the Wayne State Wildcats 86-55.

Freshman Mike Busack led the Maverick offense with a career-high 17 points, including a 4-of-7 showing from three point land. Junior Zach Monaghan added 16 points and passed out a team-high five assists, while junior Assem Marei posted 13 points, while shooting 6-of-6 from the field.

Junior Zach Romashko tallied 10 points, while seniors Connor O'Brien and Tanner Adler each posted eight points and a team-high six rebounds.

Both teams were knotted up at 10 with 15:40 left in the first half, but MSU would take charge as it outscored the Wildcats 42-14 through the remainder of the first half to take a 52-24 lead into the locker room.

The second half saw MSU outscore Wayne State 34-31, en route to an 86-55 win, as the Mavericks led by at least 21 points throughout the entire second half.

MSU 86 Augustana 81

It came down to the final seconds Saturday evening in Elmen Center, but it was #17 Minnesota State that would come out on top as it downed Augustana 86-81.

A total of five Mavericks scored at least 10 points on the day, including senior Gage Wooten, who posted a team-high 21 points while shooting 7-of-8 from the field. The duo of senior Tanner Adler and junior Zach Monaghan each added 16 points, with Monaghan posting nine helpers and five steals. Adler finished the day shooting 4-of-5 from beyond the arc.

Senior Connor O'Brien tallied 10 points and a team-high nine rebounds, while junior Assem Marei notched 10 points and three assists.

As a unit, the Mavericks connected on 11-of-24 (.458) shots from downtown, marking the fourth time this season MSU has dropped in at least 10 three point field goals in a game this season. Overall, the Mavericks shot 47.5% (29-of-61) from the field, brought down 40 rebounds and passed out 17 assists.

MSU, which led by as many as 12 points in the second half, found itself trailing Augustana 71-70 with 6:27 left in the game. MSU quickly regained the lead after a pair of baskets from Wooten and Monaghan and led 75-73 with 5:23 remaining.

Augustana managed to get within one point at 82-81 with 58 seconds left but it could not overtake MSU as the Mavericks tallied the final four points of the game to claim the 86-81 win.

MSU 64 Wayne State 79

The No. 12 Minnesota State women's basketball team fell to No. 17 Wayne State 79-64 falling to 6-2 overall with a mark of 3-1 in conference action.

In a first half of runs the Mavericks trailed by 10 on two separate occasions, but were able to overcome the Wildcat runs to take a 33-30 deficit into intermission. MSU ended the first half on a 13-6 run.

MSU was led in the first half by the senior duo of Karlee Gengenbacher (Quincy, Ill.) and Ali Wilkinson (Blue Mounds, Wis.), who each posted eight points in the frame. Junior Lexie Ulfers (Waseca, Minn.) poured in five straight points in the Mavericks 13-6 run to end the half.

The Wildcats opened the second half on a 12-6 run and didn't look back as they pushed their lead to 62-43 with 8:17 to play. Ulfers would once again spark an 11-4 run cutting the Wildcat lead to 66-54 with 5:30 to play. MSU tried to complete the comeback, but its efforts fell short, as it fell 79-64.

MSU 82 Augustana 86

The No. 12 Minnesota State women's basketball team dropped its second straight contest Saturday evening as it fell to No. 10 Augustana 86-82.

The Mavericks trailed for the first 13 minutes of the contest, before junior Aubrey Davis (Bloomington, Minn.) gave MSU its first lead of the contest with a floater in the lane on a fast-break.

Augie battled back, holding a 38-25 lead with 3:16 to play in the first frame, before the Mavericks ended the half on a 9-0 run taking a 44-38 lead into intermission.

MSU was led in the first half by freshman Britney Scherber (Bloomington, Minn.) who poured in nine points off the bench.

Augustana gained a 46-44 lead, opening the half on a 6-0 run to take their first lead of the half. MSU would answer with an 8-2 run, opening a 54-48 lead with 13:25 remaining. The Mavericks would lead by as much as seven at 68-61 midway through the half before the Vikings battled to a 68-68 tie with 5:05 to play.

The Vikings led 80-75 with 1:12 to play, but the Mavericks battled back to trail by three at 83-80 with 30 seconds left in the game. The Vikings managed to hang on through the final 30 seconds as they made five free throws, en route to an 86-82 win.

PLAYER PROFILES

PRESENTED THIS WEEK BY:



#11 Alli Hoefer

Guard | 5-7 | Senior | Plymouth, Minnesota

2012-13

Started all 32 games for the Mavericks during the 2012-13 campaign... Led the Mavericks with 115 assists... Netted 194 points (6.1 per game), hauled in 95 rebounds (3.0 per game)... Connected on 40% (70-177) of her shots from the field.

2011-12

Hoefer started all 25 games that she played in... Finished the year with 155 points (6.2 per game), 48 rebounds (1.9 per game) and 61 assists.

2010-11

Finished season with 103 points, 46 rebounds, 34 assists and 23 steals while averaging 4.0 ppg and 1.8 rpg in 26 games played (18 starts)...Tallied a season-high 13 points at Bemidji State (2/19/11) including 3-of-5 from behind the three-point line...Recorded 12 points, two rebounds and three assists against Minnesota Crookston (1/4/11)...Scored 10 points and pulled down two rebounds against Upper Iowa (12/17/10).



High School

Lettered nine times at Armstrong High School, including four in basketball...Four-year starter at point guard.

Personal

Daughter of Bill and Julie Hoefer...Born February 16, 1992.

#21 Alex Hanks

Guard | 6-3 | Senior | St. Cloud, Minnesota

2012-13

Played in 21 games during the 2012-13 season...Tallied 21 points, 25 rebounds, 16 assists and eight steals...Posted a career-high eight rebounds against Bethany Lutheran College (11/10)...Named to the 2012 NSIC Winter All-Academic Team.

2011-12

Hanks played in 23 games and earned five starts...Was an Academic All-NSIC pick...Scored a then season-high eight points in MSU's win over Upper Iowa (12/16)...Recorded a season-high nine points in MSU's loss to Bemidji State (2/18)...Hauled in a season and career-high five rebounds in MSU's win at Minnesota, Crookston (1/3)...Averaged three points and 2.8 rebounds.

2010-11

Averaged 1.6 points and 0.6 rebounds over the course of 13 games...Scored a season-high ten points in MSU's win over Eureka (11/27)...Hit on 5-of-8 field goals against Eureka...Also hauled in four rebounds against the Red Devils...Played in three games during the NCAA tournament run.



High School

Was a three-year starter and letterwinner at St. Cloud Tech and helped guide the Tigers to three consecutive Central Lakes Conference titles...As a senior, led St. Cloud Tech to a second-place finish in the state championship and averaged 20 points per game and six rebounds per contest...Was an all-conference pick as a sophomore, junior and senior.

Personal

Born May 1, 1991...Son of Robert and Susan Hanks...Currently majoring in finance.

UPCOMING GAMES

PRESENTED THIS WEEK BY:  **SPX Sport PiX**

GAMES

December 21
vs. Concordia-St. Paul | 2:00/4:00pm
Bresnan Arena

January 3
vs. St. Cloud | 6:00/8:00pm
Bresnan Arena

January 4
vs. Duluth | 4:00/6:00pm
Bresnan Arena

EVENTS

Hoop It Up With The Mavericks

December 21 vs Concordia-St. Paul

Fans are invited down on the court immediately following the Men's game for 30 minutes. Interact with Men's and Women's Maverick Basketball players, get autographs, take pictures & shoot hoops!

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