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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, IL.-- Eastern Illinois University's basketball Panthers closed a disappointing season with a 60-53 loss to NIT bound Cleveland State in the AMCU-8 postseason tournament.

The Panthers were 9-19 overall with the most losses ever in a season. EIU was 3-11 and 7th in the Mid-Continent race, also their lowest finish in the five year history of the league.

EIU had no seniors on the squad so figured to be down after winning 39 games the previous two years. Most of the problems, though, focused around the team's 43.9% field goal shooting percentage, the lowest since Rick Samuels became head coach seven years ago.

The season highlights were victories over two nearby opponents from the Missouri Valley Conference, Southern Illinois (58-57) and Indiana State (61-59).

Recapping individual performances:

INDIANAPOLIS, IN (PARK TUDOR): TONY HEMPHILL, junior forward, was chosen to the AMCU-8 'All-Newcomer Team' . . . was the only Panther to receive any postseason honors . . . started 25 of 27 games and was No. 2 on the team with a 13.1 scoring average . . . finished strong averaging 17.1 during last 10 games . . . only shot 42.5% overall from the field but was much better in conference play with a 47.3% average . . . led team from the free throw line with an even 80% (84-105) . . . was second on the team with 70 assists and 41 steals, and No. 4 rebounder at 4.1.

JOLIET (CENTRAL): NORM EVANS, junior guard, was the team's most consistent player throughout the year . . . was No. 3 scorer with 10.2 average, led with 80 assists and 43 steals, third in rebounding at 4.2 p/game, and shot 49.1% from the field . . . although he didn't shoot many three pointers (10-16), NORM did have the best percentage from that distance (62.5%) . . . also played the most minutes (908) averaging 32 minutes p/game.

AURORA (EAST): JAY TAYLOR, sophomore guard, led the team in scoring with a 14.7 average, was the top shooter at 49.8% from the field, and No. 2 rebounder with a 5.1 p/game average . . . was slightly better scoring 15.6 in conference play . . . scored in double figures in 22 games with a high of 25 on two occasions.

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WARRENSBURG-LATHAM: MIKE WEST, sophomore center, led the team with 6.4 rebounds p/game . . . five times he had over 10 rebounds with a high of 15 vs. Illinois-Chicago .. .pulled down 12 in the season ending loss to NIT bound Cleveland State. . .scored only 4.5 p/game.

ROSELLE (LAKE PARK): DAVE VANCE, sophomore forward, was chosen to the AMCU-8 'All-Academic' Team . . . to be eligible, a player must have at least a B average (3.0) and either be a starter or top reserve . . .DAVE is a computer management major...he started 26 of the 28 games but had a disappointing season scoring only 5.5 p/game with 3.0 rebounds . . .finished on a strong note with nine points/five rebounds in season ending loss to NIT bound Cleveland State.

CRETE-MONEE (PARKLAND CC:) DAVE STEIN, junior forward, started on a parttime basis playing almost half the game .. .he scored 5.3 with 3.2 rebounds but shot only 36.5% from the field.

MOUNDS-MERIDIAN: JERRY STRICKLAND, junior forward, played slightly over 10 minutes p/game scoring 3.8 .. . he scored in double figures twice with a high of 15 vs. Augustana.

CINCINNATI, OH (MT. HEALTHY): CASS WHITE, freshman forward, averaged 3.5 points/1.2 rebounds playing about 10 minutes p/game.

HINSDALE (CENTRAL): VINCE MACCIOCCHI, sophomore forward who missed last year with knee surger, again suffered bad luck as he missed the final seven games of the year due to an appendectomy . . .until then he had appeared in 18 games averaging about 15 minutes p/game . . .he scored 3.8 p/game with 2.8 rebounds . . .his best effort was being named to the Wolf Pack Classic Holiday Tournament at Nevada-Reno when he scored 26 points/15 rebounds in two games vs. Northeast Louisiana and North Texas State.

MONMOUTH: DAVID PAUL, freshman guard who made the team as a walk-on, appeared in half the games playing on a limited basis . . . he averaged 2.9 points but hit 10-28 three pointers, second most on the team.

OSWEGO: BRIAN MURPHY, sophomore center, was the backup pivotman behind MIKE WEST . . . MURPHY averaged about 10 minutes a game scoring 2.2 p/game with 2.3 rebounds.

WEST FRANKFORT: DON PEAVEY, sophomore forward, appeared in 10 games playing 48 minutes . . .he averaged both 1.1 points and rebounds.

FINAL CUMULATIVE
Basketball Statistics -- Eastern Illinois 1986-87
(Includes 28 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/— TOTAL —/			/— 3PT —/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%														
Jay Taylor	27/ 17	146/ 293	.498	7/ 30	.233	99/ 132	.750	398	14.7	138	5.1	64/ 3	42	68	6	31	796		
Tony Hemphill	27/ 25	127/ 299	.425	16/ 50	.320	84/ 105	.800	354	13.1	110	4.1	53/ 0	70	83	7	41	854		
Norm Evans	28/ 26	106/ 216	.491	10/ 16	.625	64/ 82	.781	286	10.2	118	4.2	77/ 2	60	72	10	43	908		
Dave Vance	28/ 26	62/ 157	.395	1/ 11	.090	29/ 44	.659	154	5.5	83	3.0	59/ 0	39	64	0	10	740		
Dave Stein	28/ 8	54/ 148	.365	2/ 11	.182	39/ 49	.796	149	5.3	89	3.2	50/ 0	33	53	2	11	586		
Mike West	25/ 23	43/ 96	.448	0/ 0	.000	27/ 59	.458	113	4.5	159	6.4	62/ 3	35	33	11	14	631		
Vince Macciochi	18/ 3	25/ 55	.455	0/ 0	.000	19/ 30	.633	69	3.8	51	2.8	37/ 0	4	21	1	7	245		
Jerry Strickland	28/ 6	40/ 87	.460	1/ 4	.250	24/ 37	.649	105	3.8	52	1.9	26/ 0	20	30	5	12	330		
Cass White	20/ 2	31/ 71	.437	2/ 8	.250	5/ 12	.417	69	3.5	23	1.2	11/ 0	17	19	1	4	230		
David Paul	14/ 2	15/ 43	.349	10/ 28	.357	0/ 0	.000	40	2.9	7	.5	16/ 0	12	6	0	1	97		
Brian Murphy	16/ 2	13/ 35	.371	0/ 0	.000	9/ 19	.474	35	2.2	36	2.3	33/ 0	4	9	1	4	160		
Don Peavey	10/ 0	4/ 17	.235	2/ 7	.286	1/ 5	.200	11	1.1	11	1.1	7/ 0	5	7	0	1	48		
Team Rebounds											105								
EIU	28/ 28	666/1517	.439	51/ 165	.309	400/ 574	.697	1783	63.7	982	35.1	495/ 8	361	465	44	179	—		
Team Rebounds											88								
Opponent Totals	28/ 28	774/1630	.475	83/ 208	.399	365/ 527	.693	1996	71.3	936	33.4	534/12	411	374	101	255	—		

AMCU-8 CONFERENCE GAMES
Basketball Statistics -- Eastern Illinois 1986-87
(Includes 14 Games)

PLAYER	G/ GS	/— TOTAL —/			/— 3PT —/			FT/ FTA	FT%	PTS	AVG	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN
		FG/ FGA	FG%	FG/ FGA	FG%														
Jay Taylor	14/ 9	82/ 154	.533	3/ 13	.231	52/ 67	.776	219	15.6	71	5.1	36/ 3	21	34	3	13	411		
Tony Hemphill	14/ 13	71/ 150	.473	10/ 29	.345	45/ 58	.776	197	14.1	56	4.0	26/ 0	38	46	4	25	452		
Norm Evans	14/ 14	47/ 102	.461	6/ 10	.600	33/ 42	.786	133	9.5	54	3.9	37/ 2	47	38	4	21	464		
Dave Stein	14/ 1	23/ 56	.411	1/ 7	.143	14/ 18	.778	61	4.4	36	2.6	23/ 0	16	18	0	8	260		
Mike West	12/ 10	20/ 46	.435	0/ 0	.000	10/ 24	.417	50	4.2	75	6.3	21/ 0	14	19	4	9	296		
Jerry Strickland	14/ 3	20/ 45	.445	1/ 3	.333	9/ 16	.563	50	3.6	17	1.2	15/ 0	13	12	4	7	162		
David Paul	9/ 1	12/ 30	.400	8/ 20	.400	0/ 0	.000	32	3.6	5	.6	12/ 0	7	3	0	1	68		
Cass White	11/ 1	18/ 41	.439	1/ 6	.167	2/ 7	.286	39	3.6	13	1.2	5/ 0	13	11	1	3	128		
Dave Vance	14/ 14	17/ 55	.309	0/ 4	.000	12/ 16	.750	46	3.3	32	2.3	32/ 0	15	34	0	3	338		
Vince Macciochi	7/ 3	7/ 19	.368	0/ 0	.000	7/ 12	.583	21	3.0	14	2.0	16/ 0	2	4	0	5	100		
Brian Murphy	9/ 1	10/ 21	.476	0/ 0	.000	7/ 13	.539	27	3.0	23	2.6	18/ 0	3	4	0	4	98		
Don Peavey	5/ 0	2/ 7	.286	1/ 5	.200	1/ 4	.250	6	1.2	5	1.0	7/ 0	2	4	0	0	23		
Team Rebounds											47								
EIU	14/ 14	329/ 726	.453	31/ 97	.320	192/ 277	.693	881	62.9	448	32.0	248/ 5	191	227	20	99	—		
Team Rebounds											37								
Opponent Totals	14/ 14	394/ 796	.495	39/ 94	.415	187/ 266	.703	1014	72.4	454	32.4	259/ 4	209	172	48	127	—		

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	9-19	CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	86823	TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	3101
AMCU-8	3-11	HOME	27874	HOME AVERAGE	1991
Wolf Pack Classic	0- 2	AWAY	58949	AWAY AVERAGE	4211
AMCU-8 Tournament	0- 1				

1986 GAME BY GAME SCORING/REBOUNDING
(9-19 Overall, 3-11 in AMCU-8)

At Home: 7-7 On Road: 2-9 Neutral: 0-3 AMCU Home: 2-5 AMCU Road: 1-6
 NCAA I: 6-18 NCAA II: 1-0 NCAA III/NAIA: 2-1

F J	OPPONENT	TAY	EVANS	HEMP	VANCE	STEIN	WEST	MACC	SIRICK	MURPH	WHITE
W 85	54 Illinois Tech (H) 1000	16/8	17/6	14/5	14/10	4/5	6/5	5/4	4/3	5/5	0/0
W 70	62 Northwest Missouri (H) 1500	23/7	11/2	10/7	11/3	3/2	6/7	DNP	6/2	DNP	DNP
L 51	85 Illinois (A) 13,578	8/3	10/4	8/0	2/6	11/3	1/5	2/1	0/2	1/3	4/1
L 77	90 Millikin (H) 2000	15/5	4/3	27/10	17/4	8/3	4/1	0/1	0/0	DNP	2/1
L 68	72 Wisconsin (A) 5042	22/4	15/4	7/4	2/0	0/3	0/3	10/5	0/0	DNP	4/1
L 65	74 Northeast Louisiana (N) 3213	10/2	13/5	11/4	11/4	6/4	5/2	6/6	1/4	DNP	2/2
L 63	92 North Texas State (N) 2600	7/3	5/7	7/3	2/2	4/1	5/3	20/9	2/2	2/2	9/3
W 58	57 Southern Illinois (A) 2533	11/3	15/3	3/4	16/5	5/4	4/8	0/1	4/6	DNP	DNP
W 61	59 Indiana State (H) 4123 (OT)	25/10	6/6	DNP	8/1	11/6	2/8	1/4	8/5	0/1	0/0
W 66	60 Augustana (H) 2481	DNP	15/7	12/4	4/4	4/2	14/12	2/4	15/4	DNP	0/0
L 74	77 Chicago State (H) 3850	10/6	13/7	25/6	4/2	8/2	11/12	0/1	3/6	DNP	DNP
L 69	89 Illinois-Chicago (H) 1800	13/3	15/8	11/3	2/4	7/2	8/15	0/1	2/2	DNP	11/2
L 57	64 Wisconsin-Green Bay (A) 3870	10/1	9/3	13/3	8/2	2/0	6/6	7/2	2/2	DNP	0/1
L 46	87 Southwest Missouri (A) 6360	13/2	0/1	10/1	2/3	4/0	5/3	0/1	0/0	0/1	3/1
L 52	69 Cleveland State (H) 2500	11/6	10/6	17/4	0/2	7/4	5/10	DNP	2/0	DNP	DNP
L 66	96 Northern Iowa (H) 1400	6/3	5/2	4/2	3/4	0/0	0/3	0/1	14/2	10/1	8/1
L 61	66 Valparaiso (A) 2043	21/5	11/3	0/5	0/0	8/3	DNP	DNP	7/6	4/9	4/1
L 59	94 St. Louis University (A) 3813	7/7	8/2	4/3	8/5	10/6	DNP	2/1	2/1	0/2	9/2
W 76	68 Western Illinois (H) 2120	25/3	11/6	11/2	13/3	0/2	DNP	7/4	2/0	1/1	6/2
L 78	83 Illinois-Chicago (A) 2189	18/7	11/3	24/8	4/5	4/5	0/3	5/3	2/1	6/6	4/3
L 67	92 Cleveland State (A) 2954	12/2	11/4	21/7	4/1	6/2	4/1	2/2	6/0	DNP	1/1
L 50	53 Wisconsin-Green Bay (H) 1000	11/6	8/6	18/2	2/4	3/3	2/6	DNP	2/1	DNP	0/1
L 54	56 Southwest Missouri (H) 1500	16/5	9/2	11/4	5/3	5/1	8/7	DNP	0/0	0/0	DNP
W 65	55 Northern Iowa (A) 2088	23/12	11/3	18/7	1/0	9/3	2/8	DNP	0/0	1/1	DNP
W 52	46 Colorado State (H) 1200	16/5	13/4	12/2	0/0	6/4	3/6	DNP	2/0	DNP	DNP
W 70	51 Valparaiso (H) 1400	21/10	13/2	14/4	2/1	4/3	6/6	DNP	4/2	2/2	2/1
L 70	85 Western Illinois (A) 2043	19/4	9/5	25/5	0/0	2/8	4/7	DNP	7/1	3/2	0/0
L 53	60 Cleveland State (N) 6700	9/4	8/4	17/2	9/5	0/1	2/12	DNP	8/0	DNP	DNP