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Panther Sports News

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PREVIEWING THE WEEK (Feb. 4-11)

WOMEN'S SWIMMING Hosts DePauw (7:00, Lantz Pool) Wednesday, Feb. 4

MEN'S BASKETBALL Hosts St. Joseph's (7:30, Lantz Gym)

BADMINTON Hosts EIU Invitational (4:00, McAfee Gym) Friday, Feb. 6

WOMEN'S SWIMMING Hosts Indiana State (7:00, Lantz Pool)

Wrestling at SIU-Edwardsville

Men's Track at Illinois Intercollegiate (Champaign)

Women's Track at Purdue

BADMINTON Hosts EIU Invitational (8 a.m., McAfee Gym) Saturday, Feb. 7

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Hosts Augustana (5:15, Lantz Gym)

MEN'S BASKETBALL Hosts Wright State (7:30, Lantz Gym)

Men's Swimming at Southeast Missouri Women's Swimming at Southeast Missouri Men's Track at Illinois Intercollegiate

Monday, Feb. 9 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL Hosts Bradley (7:00, Lantz Gym)

Wednesday, Feb. 11 MEN'S BASKETBALL Hosts Central Missouri (7:30, Lantz Gym)

Women's Basketball at Lewis University

REVIEWING THE WEEKEND (Jan. 30-31)

MEN'S BASKETBALL:

The Panthers dropped back to .500 with a 72-58 loss at Illinois State Saturday. EIU was within six points with nine minutes left but the Redbirds outscored the Panthers 17-3 to pull away. Ricky Robinson (Aurora-East) had 13 points and Tim Dykstra (Plymouth, IN-LaVille) added ten. Freshman guard Vincent Smelter (Macon, GA-Northeast) broke his left thumb and is out for the season. It is the third starting guard sidelined for the year with an injury. Warren Patten (Memphis, TN-Melrose) is out with a fractured kneecap and Chuck Turk (Maple Park-Kaneland) is down with an injured knee.

WRESTLING: EIU lost only its second dual meet in four seasons, 26-14, to Indiana Sunday. During this stretch the Panthers are 35-1-1. IU jumped to a 16-3 lead before Eastern mounted a slight comeback. Geno Savegnago (Carol Stream-Glenbard North) picked up his 32nd win, 25-0, at 190 lbs. Mark Gronowski (Titusville, FL) improved to 28-4 with a 9-3 win at 167.

MEN'S TRACK: Freshman Claude Magee (Clermont, FL) paced EIU to a double dual win, 96-62 over Ball State and 96-4 over SIU-Edwardsville. Magee broke former national champion Toni Ababio's freshman long jump record with a leap of 23-64, and then took first with a 6.2 in the 60 dash. Freshman Dave Houston (Granite City-South) won the 1000 yard run for the second straight week in 2:18.8. Reo Rorem (Gilman) ran a strong 4:16.9 to win the mile again. Another freshman, John Gassman (Olney), took first in the 2-mile run in 9:18.7.

MEN'S SWIMMING:

The Panthers picked up wins over Millikin (60-52) and Chicago Circle (70-42) to boost their record to 7.2. Winners in both meets were Bob Warren (Bloomington-Normal) in the 50 freestyle, Dave Gibson in the 200 IM, (South Holland-Thornwood), Al Cymbal (Buffalo Grove) in both the one and three-meter diving. Brian Kay (Arlington Heights-Rolling Meadows) won the 200 freestyle and the 500 freestyle against CC. His 4:59.91 was a personal best in the 500.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:

The Panthers won their third and fourth in a row and six of the last seven with a 74-73 win over Loyola and 76-50 victory over Chicago State Friday and Saturday. Nancy Kassebaum (Belleville-East) scored 22 of her game high 24 points in the second half against Loyola. Kathy Lanter (Georgetown) had 18. Linda Ellsworth's (Menasha, WI-Portage Central) 16 points and 11 rebounds paced the win over Chicago State.

BADMINTON: Sue Gonnella (Niles-Maine East) won the Class A Consolation Bracket as the Panthers finished sixth out of nine teams in the Western Illinois Invitational. Losing in the quarterfinals of their respective divisions were Chris Kelly (B) (Miller Place, NY), Nancy Szarzynski (B) (Wheaton-North), Jody Lyon (C) (Arlington Heights), Lisa Walz (C) (Palatine-Fremd) and Jayne Augustine (D)

WOMEN'S SWIMMING:

(Belleville-East).

Eastern upped its season record to 7-5 as it defeated Chicago Circle, 83-59, and Loyola, 98-33, in a double dual six-team Northern Illinois Invitational with 310 points behind winner Western Illinois with 336. EIU's lone winner was Ricki Rousey (Lincoln) with a 2:17.4 in the 200 backstroke. Peggy Biltgen (Olympia Fields-Rich Central) swam a school record 19:13.6 in the 1650 freestyle. Tammy Baker (Sterling) qualified for the AIAW II National Championship with a 55.1 in the 100 freestyle.