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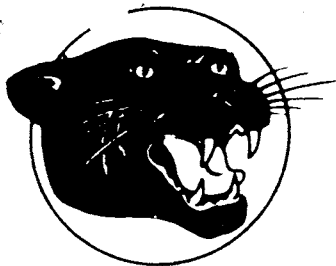
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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, ILL. (January 14, 1986)--After having a six-game winning streak snapped by Gateway-rival Southern Illinois, the Eastern Illinois women's basketball team takes to the road for a crucial two-game road trip. The Lady Panthers --10-3 overall and 2-1 in the league--will at Bradley Thursday, Jan. 16 (5:30 p.m.) and Western Illinois Saturday, January 18 (2 p.m.).

Bradley is 6-7 overall and 2-2 in the conference after splitting a pair of games a week ago. Western Illinois sports a 3-9 mark and has lost all four Gateway games this season. (NOTE: WLBH-Radio in Mattoon will broadcast the Bradley game on Thursday. Mike Bradd and Don Kojich will call the game. The broadcast starts at 5:25 p.m. and can be heard at 97 FM on the dial.)

"This is a big week for us," admits EIU head coach Barbara Hilke. "Bradley has been up and down...at times they can really turn it on. Western is just waiting to pounce on somebody in the league. We have to regroup after losing to Southern last week. Defensively we have to do a better job than we did in the second half against SIU."

Eastern is led by a trio of seniors. All-Gateway forward CHRIS ALDRIDGE (Taylorville) leads the team in scoring with a 19.3 mark. She also is the squad's leading rebounder with a 7.3 average. The 5-10, 150-pounder is among the league leaders in both categories.

The Lady Panthers' other pair of stellar seniors are 5-5 MELANIE HATFIELD (Lawrenceburg, Ind.) and 6-2 SUE HYND (Ottawa). Hatfield is second on the squad in scoring with a 14.9 mark. She also leads the Gateway in steals (58) and assists (74). Hynd is averaging nearly 12 points a contest. She had a game-high 16 points in Eastern's 68-56 loss to Southern. Hynd is canning 52% of her shots from the field and 72% from the charity stripe.

Freshmen SHERYL BONSETT (Scottsburg, Ind.) and LISA TYLER (Aurora, Ind./South Dearborn) round out EIU's starting five. Both Hoosier-State products are chipping more than eight points an outing. Tyler is second on the squad in rebounding with a 5.9 mark. Bonsett is second in assists (45) and free throw shooting (.794).

CUMULATIVE
Basketball Statistics -- Eastern Illinois 1985-86
(Includes 13 Games)

-PLAYER	G/ GS	FG/ FGA	FG%	FT/ FTA	FT%	PIS	AVG	REB	AVG	PF/ D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN-
Chris Aldridge	13/ 13	106/ 224	.473	39/ 56	.696	251	19.3	95	7.3	30/ 0	43	46	2	35	450
Melanie Hatfield	13/ 13	82/ 191	.429	30/ 37	.811	194	14.9	58	4.5	35/ 2	74	47	8	58	456
Sue Hynd	13/ 13	62/ 119	.521	25/ 35	.714	149	11.5	58	4.5	33/ 1	12	20	2	13	347
Sheryl Bonsett	13/ 11	40/ 87	.460	27/ 34	.794	107	8.2	20	1.5	28/ 0	45	55	0	27	388
Lisa Tyler	13/ 12	44/ 85	.518	17/ 24	.708	105	8.1	77	5.9	19/ 0	33	31	2	19	379
Pat Hamilton	12/ 0	26/ 49	.531	4/ 8	.500	56	4.7	9	.8	7/ 0	5	12	0	11	97
Brenda Webb	8/ 0	12/ 30	.400	12/ 15	.800	36	4.5	26	3.3	19/ 0	1	5	2	5	95
Michelle Newman	11/ 1	12/ 36	.333	9/ 14	.643	33	3.0	20	1.8	12/ 0	4	9	0	6	103
Shelly Ethridge	6/ 2	4/ 19	.211	6/ 6	1.000	14	2.3	7	1.2	7/ 0	9	14	1	5	92
Kerry Walsh	11/ 0	6/ 13	.462	5/ 12	.417	17	1.6	19	1.7	10/ 1	5	4	2	3	84
Ann Brown	10/ 0	5/ 15	.333	5/ 8	.625	15	1.5	16	1.6	7/ 0	4	9	0	0	68
Liz Cavanagh	8/ 0	4/ 10	.400	2/ 4	.500	10	1.3	5	.6	1/ 0	5	4	0	7	41
Team Rebounds								51							

EIU	13/ 13	403/ 878	.459	181/ 253	.715	987	75.9	461	35.5	208/ 4	240	256	19	189	—
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Team Rebounds	52
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Opponent Totals	13/ 13	354/ 809	.438	124/ 186	.667	832	64.0	545	41.9	245/ 10	206	328	47	132	—
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-PER-GAME AVERAGES-

-PLAYER	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	PIS	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	MIN-
Chris Aldridge	8.2	17.2	3.0	4.3	19.3	7.3	3.3	3.5	.2	2.7	34.6
Melanie Hatfield	6.3	14.7	2.3	2.9	14.9	4.5	5.7	3.6	.6	4.5	35.1
Sue Hynd	4.8	9.2	1.9	2.7	11.5	4.5	.9	1.5	.2	1.0	26.7
Sheryl Bonsett	3.1	6.7	2.1	2.6	8.2	1.5	3.5	4.2	.0	2.1	29.9
Lisa Tyler	3.4	6.5	1.3	1.9	8.1	5.9	2.5	2.4	.2	1.5	29.2
Pat Hamilton	2.2	4.1	.3	.7	4.7	.8	.4	1.0	.0	.9	8.1
Brenda Webb	1.5	3.8	1.5	1.9	4.5	3.3	.1	.6	.3	.6	11.9
Michelle Newman	1.1	3.3	.8	1.3	3.0	1.8	.4	.8	.0	.6	9.4
Shelly Ethridge	.7	3.2	1.0	1.0	2.3	1.2	1.5	2.3	.2	.8	15.3
Kerry Walsh	.6	1.2	.5	1.1	1.6	1.7	.5	.4	.2	.3	7.6
Ann Brown	.5	1.5	.5	.8	1.5	1.6	.4	.9	.0	.0	6.8
Liz Cavanagh	.5	1.3	.3	.5	1.3	.6	.6	.5	.0	.9	5.1

EIU	31.0	67.5	13.9	19.5	75.9	35.5	18.5	19.7	1.5	14.5	—
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Opponent Totals	27.2	62.2	9.5	14.3	64.0	41.9	15.9	25.2	3.6	10.2	—
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-SCORE BY PERIOD	1	2	OT	OT	TOTAL-	-DEADBALL REBOUNDS-
EIU	455	532	0	0	987	31
Opponent Totals	382	450	0	0	832	27

OVERALL TEAM RECORD	10- 3
Gateway Collegiate	2- 1
Badger Invitational	1- 1
Fastbreak Fest	1- 1

CUMULATIVE ATTENDANCE	3307
HOME	1720
AWAY	1587

TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE	254
HOME AVERAGE	287
AWAY AVERAGE	227

#	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	LOC	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER	OPP HI SCORER	OPP HI REBOUNDER
	Xavier	80- 60 W	100	A	Aldridge 29	Aldridge 10	Fredrick, Long 16	Long 8
	Miami	64- 56 W	405	A	Aldridge 21	Hatfield, Tyler 9	Minson 14	Theis 14
#	St. John's	56- 73 L	217	A	Hatfield 14	Hatfield 10	Yard 15	Yard, Conley 9
#	Wisconsin	70- 64 W	320	A	Aldridge 32	Aldridge 11	Bonnell 18	Bonnell 16
\$	Northern Illinois	87- 65 W	225	A	Hatfield 20	Tyler 11	Owens 19	Roberts 9
\$	Tennessee	69- 75 L	245	A	Hynd 23	Tyler 8	Gordon 16	Frost 8
	Butler	81- 58 W	353	H	Hatfield 20	Aldridge 7	Muensterman 12	Muensterman 10
	St. Louis	75- 42 W	224	H	Aldridge 18	Aldridge 6	Aden 12	Lampe 7
	Ball State	98- 64 W	212	H	Hamilton 21	Aldridge 10	Jones 16	Jones 7
*	Wichita State	95- 80 W	273	H	Hatfield 21	Aldridge 9	Parr-Cook 32	Parr-Cook 8
*	SW Missouri State	86- 70 W	179	H	Aldridge 32	Aldridge 8	Tendai 25	Verner 11
	Illinois-Chicago	70- 57 W	75	A	Aldridge 21	Aldridge 15	Stenkamp 17	Clark 9
*	Southern Illinois	56- 68 L	479	F	Hynd 16	Aldridge 9	Bonds 28	Bonds 8

-SEASON HIGHS/LOWS-

		Eastern Illinois	Opponent
Points 1st Half:	High	44 vs Wichita State	38 by Tennessee
	Low	23 vs St. John's	18 by St. Louis
Points 2nd Half:	High	56 vs Ball State	55 by Wichita State
	Low	26 vs Southern Illinois	24 by St. Louis
Total Points:	High	98 vs Ball State	80 by Wichita State
	Low	56 vs Southern Illinois	42 by St. Louis
Field Goals:	High	41 vs Ball State	33 by Wichita State
	Low	24 vs Wisconsin	19 by Miami
Field Goals Attempted:	High	86 vs SW Missouri State	72 by Xavier
	Low	53 vs Wichita State	53 by St. Louis
Field Goal Percentage:	High	.679 vs Wichita State	.582 by St. John's
	Low	.338 vs Miami	.312 by Miami
Free Throws:	High	32 vs Xavier	18 by Miami
	Low	4 vs Southern Illinois	2 by St. Louis
Free Throws Attempted:	High	45 vs Xavier	31 by Miami
	Low	5 vs Southern Illinois	4 by St. Louis
Free Throw Percentage:	High	.933 vs Miami	.938 by Tennessee
	Low	.500 vs St. John's	.462 by Ball State
Total Rebounds:	High	44 vs St. Louis	58 by Miami
	Low	21 vs Wisconsin	30 by Tennessee
Assists:	High	27 vs SW Missouri State	20 by Ball State
	Low	9 vs St. John's	11 by Xavier
Blocked Shots:	High	4 vs SW Missouri State	9 by St. Louis
	Low	0 vs Southern Illinois	1 by Southern Illinois
Steals:	High	24 vs St. Louis	22 by St. John's
	Low	5 vs Southern Illinois	4 by SW Missouri State
Turnovers:	High	28 vs Wichita State	33 by Ball State
	Low	8 vs Wisconsin	13 by Southern Illinois
Personal Fouls:	High	24 vs Miami	33 by Xavier
	Low	10 vs SW Missouri State	9 by Southern Illinois