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CHARLESTON, IL.--Eastern Illinois University's NCAA I-AA tournament bound football Panthers close the regular season Saturday (Nov. 15) hosting Western Kentucky University. Kickoff is 1:30 p.m. at O'Brien Stadium.

EIU won the Gateway Conference championship with a 5-1 record defeating Indiana State, 31-14, this past Saturday. The victory was the ninth straight for the Panthers who moved to 9-1 overall and remained No. 4 in the latest NCAA I-AA poll.

It's the 5th time in the past nine years the Panthers have earned a post season tournament bid, and the third time as a I-AA participant.

The 16-team NCAA playoffs will begin on Saturday, Nov. 29. Pairings will not be announced until Sunday, Nov. 23.

Western Kentucky, a I-AA independent, is 4-4-1 and going for its first winning season since 1981. The Hilltoppers downed Boston University, 28-7, last week to even their record.

"Even though we've clinched the berth, this game is still important. We want to retain that high ranking in order to enhance our opportunities to host a first round game," said Coach Al Molde.

GAME NOTES

THE GAME: Eastern Illinois University (9-1, 5-1) will host Western Kentucky (4-4-1) at 1:30 CST, Saturday, Nov. 15, O'Brien Stadium, Charleston

RADIO: All the action can be heard over 50,000 watt Mattoon WLBH-FM, 97 on the dial, with Ken Wooddell and Doug Bock calling the action.

SERIES: EIU has won all three games in the series, 34-14 in '83, 50-19 in '84 and 14-13 last year as **SEAN PAYTON** threw a TD pass to **CHARLIE WILLIAMS** and a two point conversion to **WILLIE CAIN** late in the 4th quarter.

COACHES: EIU's **AL MOLDE**, in his fourth year here, is 30-14 at EIU, and 104-56-6 overall (64.4%) in his 16th year . . . he now has had five tournament teams also coaching at Sioux Falls College, Minn-Morris and Central Missouri . . . he is 3-0 vs. WKU . . . WKU's **DAVE ROBERTS**, a former Vanderbilt assistant in his third year, is 10-20-1.

WKU FACTS: EIU is the fourth ranked team the Hilltoppers have played . . . they downed No. 14 Eastern Kentucky (24-10), lost to No. 5 Georgia Southern (49-32) and to No. 9. Tennessee State (25-3) . . . WKU has averaged 31.3 points in its last three outings behind QB **JEFF CESARONE**, a Geneva (IL) junior, who already holds 16 of WKU's 20 total offense/passing records . . . he has over 6000 yards passing and could challenge the 10,000 figure next year . . . he also has 37 career TDs . . . same as EIU, five receivers have caught over 20 passes led by **PAT MCKENZIE** (32 for 218) and **CEDRIC JONES** (28 for 344) . . . **JOE ARNOLD** is averaging 62 yards p/game rushing with a season high of 169 vs. Austin Peay . . . two time Academic All-American linebacker **NEIL FATKIN** is the leading tackler with 69 but missed last week's game with a viral infection . . . WKU averages 312 yards offensively and is giving up 345.

NCAA I-AA RANKING: The Panthers retained their No. 4 ranking in NCAA I-AA . . . that continues to equal their previous high back in 1982.

1.	Nevada-Reno	10-0	80 votes
T2.	Arkansas State	7-1-1	70
	Holy Cross	9-0	70
4.	EASTERN ILLINOIS	9-1	68
5.	Georgia Southern	7-2	62
6.	Pennsylvania	8-0	56
7.	Appalachian State	7-1-1	56
8.	William & Mary	8-1	52
9.	Tennessee State	9-0-1	49
T10.	Jackson State	8-2	42
	Akron	7-2	42

NCAA I-AA STATS: The Panthers are ranked in several team/individual I-AA statistical categories . . . **SEAN PAYTON** is No. 1 in passing yards (3102) and No. 2 in total offense (304.1) . . . **WR CALVIN PIERCE** is No. 4 in receiving yards (1053) and **ROD REYNOLDS** is T12th with seven pass interceptions . . . **TEAM** is No. 1 passing offense at 323.3, 3rd in scoring offense at 37.4, and 5th in total offense at 446.

PANTHER MILESTONES: EIU individuals and the team are also on the verge of several records and milestones . . . EIU needs 10 points to break the season point record of 383 and 212 yards to top the total offense record of 4671, both set in the 1978 NCAA II championship season . . . **JAMES MARABLE** needs 3 TDs to break **ROY BANKS** season record of 17 . . . **CALVIN PIERCE** needs 41 yards to surpass Jerry Wright's No. 2 career pass receiving mark of 2522. . . **PIERCE** has 2481 . . . **O'BRIEN STADIUM** needs 5238 fans to set a season p/game attendance record.

GATEWAY CONFERENCE STANDINGS:

	GC	OVERALL	NEXT
EASTERN ILLINOIS	5-1	9-1	Host Western Kentucky
Southern Illinois	4-2	7-4	Season Finished
Illinois State	3-2	4-4	Host Northwest Missouri
Northern Iowa	2-2	5-3-1	Host Indiana State
Western Illinois	2-3	6-4	Host Sam Houston State
Indiana State	1-4	3-7	At Northern Iowa
Southwest Missouri	1-5	3-7	Season Finished

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GAME-BY-GAME RESULTS

G#	DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTENDANCE	SITE	OVERALL RECORD	CONFERENCE RECORD
1	8/30	*Illinois State	20-23 L	6,965	A	0-1-0	0-1-0
2	9/ 6	Northeast Missouri	41-31 W	9,486	H	1-1-0	0-1-0
3	9/13	Northern Michigan	24-21 W	3,935	A	2-1-0	0-1-0
4	9/20	*Southern Illinois	52- 7 W	10,100	H	3-1-0	1-1-0
5	10/ 4	Liberty University	40-15 W	6,850	H	4-1-0	1-1-0
6	10/11	*Northern Iowa	31-30 W	11,052	H	5-1-0	2-1-0
7	10/18	*Western Illinois	37- 3 W	13,527	A	6-1-0	3-1-0
8	10/25	*Southwest Missouri	34-20 W	6,000	A	7-1-0	4-1-0
9	11/ 1	Winona State	64- 0 W	11,856	H	8-1-0	4-1-0
10	11/ 8	*Indiana State	31-14 W	7,862	A	9-1-0	5-1-0

* = Gateway Conference

Overall Record: 9 - 1 - 0 Conference: 5 - 1 - 0 Home: 5 - 0 - 0 Away: 4 - 1 - 0 Neutral: 0 - 0 - 0

Overall Attendance:	87633	Overall Average:	8763
Conference Attendance:	55506	Conference Average:	9251
Home Attendance:	49344	Home Average:	9869
Away Attendance:	38289	Away Average:	7658
Neutral Attendance:	0	Neutral Average:	0

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1ST	AVG.	2ND	AVG.	HALF	AVG.	3RD	AVG.	4TH	AVG.	HALF	AVG.	S.D.	TOTAL	GAME	AVG.
EIU	88	8.8	77	7.7	16.5	117	11.7	92	9.2	20.9	0	374	37.4			
Opponent Totals	30	3.0	46	4.6	7.6	52	5.2	36	3.6	8.8	0	164	16.4			

NET PUNTING	PUNTS	YARDS	AVG.	OPP RETURNS	OPP RETURN YARDS	OPP RETURN AVG.	NET AVG.
EIU	53	1961	37.0	19	143	7.5	34.3
Opponent Totals	69	2619	38.0	34	164	4.8	35.6

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT.	GAIN	LOSS	NET	YDS/ATT.	YDS/GAME	TD	TD/GAME	LONG RUN	(AGAINST)
James Marable	10/ 7	142	638	26	612	4.3	61.2	12	1.2	46	(UNI)
DuWayne Pitts	9/ 3	89	437	5	432	4.9	48.0	3	.3	73	(NEMO)
Uasi Latu	7/ 0	37	183	9	174	4.7	24.9	1	.1	20	(SIU)
Ben Stevenson	4/ 0	18	81	9	72	4.0	18.0	1	.3	18	(WSU)
Derrick Wilhelms	9/ 8	2	20	0	20	10.0	2.2	0	.0	15	(SIU)
Pat Carroll	5/ 0	4	24	7	17	4.3	3.4	1	.2	14	(WSU)
Roy Banks	10/10	3	11	0	11	3.7	1.1	0	.0	6	(WIU)
Calvin Pierce	10/10	7	8	2	6	.9	.6	0	.0	3	(LIB)
Rod Smoots	2/ 0	2	5	0	5	2.5	2.5	0	.0	3	(SIU)
Shon McCray	4/ 0	1	0	2	-2	-2.0	-.5	0	.0	0	()
Steve Tillotson	9/ 0	1	0	18	-18	-18.0	-2.0	0	.0	0	()
Team	3/ 0	1	0	41	-41	-41.0	-13.7	0	.0	0	()
Sean Payton	10/10	57	77	138	-61	-1.1	-6.1	6	.6	15	(UNI)
EIU	10/10	364	1484	257	1227	3.4	122.7	24	2.4	—	—
Opponent Totals	10/10	424	1490	422	1068	2.5	106.8	5	.5	—	—

PASSING	G/GS	ATT.	CMP.	PCT.	INT	INT PCT.	YDS	YDS/ATT	YDS/ CMP.	YDS/ GAME	TDS	TDS/ ATT	TDS/ CMP.	TDS/ GAME	PASS		(AGAINST)
															EFF.	LONG	
Sean Payton	10/10	382	195	.511	14	.040	3102	8.1	15.9	310.2	21	.050	.108	2.1	130.1	74	(SMD)
Pat Carroll	5/ 0	21	12	.571	0	.000	131	6.2	10.9	26.2	1	.050	.080	.2	125.3	27	(WSU)
EIU	10/10	403	207	.514	14	.030	3233	8.0	15.6	323.3	22	.050	.106	2.2	129.8	—	—
Opponent Totals	10/10	331	166	.502	20	.060	2153	6.5	13.0	215.3	11	.030	.070	1.1	103.7	—	—

RECEIVING	G/GS	RECPTS.	YDS	YDS/RECPT.	YDS/GAME	TDS	TDS/GAME	RECPT/GAME	LONG RECPT	(AGAINST)
Calvin Pierce	10/10	57	1053	18.5	105.3	6	.6	5.7	74	(SMD)
Roy Banks	10/10	46	939	20.4	93.9	11	1.1	4.6	67	(ILL.St.)
James Marable	10/ 7	30	269	9.0	26.9	2	.2	3.0	31	(NMU)
Willie Cain	10/10	24	391	16.3	39.1	1	.1	2.4	48	(NEMO)
DuWayne Pitts	9/ 3	20	126	6.3	14.0	0	.0	2.2	17	(Indst)
Derrick Wilhelms	9/ 8	17	333	19.6	37.0	1	.1	1.9	72	(Indst)
Mike Milosovic	1/ 0	4	27	6.8	27.0	0	.0	4.0	11	(WSU)
Shon McCray	4/ 0	3	44	14.7	11.0	0	.0	.8	25	(WSU)
Rod Smoots	2/ 0	3	46	15.3	23.0	1	.5	1.5	27	(WSU)
Uasi Latu	7/ 0	1	6	6.0	.9	0	.0	.1	6	(WSU)
Mark Petersen	1/ 1	1	-2	-2.0	-2.0	0	.0	1.0	0	()
Ben Stevenson	4/ 0	1	1	1.0	.3	0	.0	.3	1	(SIU)
EIU	10/10	207	3233	15.6	323.3	22	2.2	20.7	—	—
Opponent Totals	10/10	157	2153	13.7	215.3	11	1.1	15.7	—	—

POINT AFTER CONVERSIONS	G	KICKING		CONSECUTIVE KICKS		RUSHING			PASS RECEIVING			TOTAL			TOTAL POINTS	
		ATT-MADE	PCT	KICKS MADE	BLKED	ATT-MADE	PCT	ATT-MADE	PCT	ATT-MADE	PCT	ATT-MADE	PCT			
Rich Ehme	10	45	42	.93	15	0	0	0	.00	0	0	.00	45	42	.93	42
Roy Banks	10	0	0	.00	0	0	0	0	.00	2	0	.00	2	0	.00	0
James Marable	10	0	0	.00	0	0	0	0	.00	1	0	.00	1	0	.00	0
Shon McCray	4	0	0	.00	0	0	0	0	.00	1	0	.00	1	0	.00	0
EIU	10	45	42	.93	15	0	0	0	.00	4	0	.00	49	42	.86	42
Opponent Totals	10	16	15	.94	0	0	0	0	.00	3	1	.33	19	16	.84	17

ALL-PURPOSE RUNNING	G	RUSHING		RECEIVING		PUNT RETS		KICKOFF RETS		PLAYS	YDS	YDS/PLAY	YDS/GAME
		ATTS.	NET YDS	NO.	YDS	NO.	YDS	NO.	YDS				
James Marable	10	142	612	30	269	0	0	9	260	181	1141	6.3	114.1
Calvin Pierce	10	7	6	57	1053	0	0	0	0	64	1059	16.6	105.9
Roy Banks	10	3	11	46	939	0	0	0	0	49	950	19.4	95.0
DuWayne Pitts	9	89	432	20	126	0	0	0	0	109	558	5.1	62.0
Derick Wilhelms	9	2	20	17	333	0	0	2	50	21	403	19.2	44.8
Greg Rhea	10	0	0	0	0	33	164	13	233	46	397	8.6	39.7
Willie Cain	10	0	0	24	391	0	0	0	0	24	391	16.3	39.1
Uasi Latu	7	37	174	1	6	0	0	3	17	41	197	4.8	28.1
Ben Stevenson	4	18	72	1	1	0	0	0	0	19	73	3.8	18.3
Rod Stoots	2	2	5	3	46	0	0	0	0	5	51	10.2	25.5
Shon McCray	4	1	-2	3	44	0	0	0	0	4	42	10.5	10.5
Daryl Holcombe	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	32	1	32	32.0	10.7
Mike Milosovic	1	0	0	4	27	0	0	0	0	4	27	6.8	27.0
Pat Carroll	5	4	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	17	4.3	3.4
Dan Polewski	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	1	14	14.0	2.0
John Jurkovic	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	6	6.0	1.2
Ray Brown	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	.0	.0
Scott Johnson	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	.0	.0
Mark Petersen	1	0	0	1	-2	0	0	0	0	1	-2	-2.0	-2.0
Steve Tillotson	9	1	-18	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	-18	-18.0	-2.0
Team	3	1	-41	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	-41	-41.0	-13.7
Sean Rayton	10	57	-61	0	0	0	0	0	0	57	-61	-1.1	-6.1
EIU	10	364	1227	207	3233	34	164	31	612	636	5236	8.2	523.6
Opponent Totals	10	424	1068	157	2153	19	143	50	894	650	4258	6.6	425.8

INTERCEPTIONS	G	INICPTS	YDS	YDS/RETURN	INICPTS/GAME	TDS	LONG
Rod Reynolds	9	7	63	9.0	.8	1	25
Scott Johnson	7	3	64	21.3	.4	0	38
Greg Rhea	10	2	34	17.0	.2	0	34
Jeff Mills	7	2	13	6.5	.3	0	8
Dan Polewski	7	2	21	10.5	.3	0	21
Bill Cochran	6	2	92	46.0	.3	1	85
Darius Shavers	5	1	0	.0	.2	0	0
Bob Bronaugh	5	1	3	3.0	.2	0	0
EIU	10	20	290	14.5	2.0	2	—
Opponent Totals	10	14	177	12.6	1.4	1	—

FIELD GOALS	G	1-19 YARDS			20-29 YARDS			30-39 YARDS			40-49 YARDS			OVER 50			/—TOTAL—/			BLK	FG/G	LONG
		FGA-FGM	PCT	FGA-FGM	PCT	FGA-FGM	PCT	FGA-FGM	PCT	FGA-FGM	PCT	FGA-FGM	PCT	FGA-FGM	PCT	FGA-FGM	PCT					
Rich Emke	10	1	1	1.00	5	5	1.00	2	0	.00	7	5	.71	3	1	.33	18	12	.67	0	1.2	58
EIU	10	1	1	1.00	5	5	1.00	2	0	.00	7	5	.71	3	1	.33	18	12	.67	0	1.2	—
Opponent Totals	10	0	0	.00	6	6	1.00	8	4	.50	5	1	.20	0	0	.00	19	11	.58	0	1.1	—



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