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MEN'S BASKETBALL TRAVELS TO LINCOLN BEFORE HOME OPENER NEXT MONDAY

TRUMAN 2002-03 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Location	Time/Result
<i>Northwest Missouri Milner Classic (Maryville, Mo.)</i>			
Nov. 22	vs. South Dakota State	Maryville, Mo.	L 75-54
Nov. 23	vs. Florida Tech	Maryville, Mo.	W 84-72
Nov. 26	at Lincoln	Jefferson City, Mo.	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 2	Central Christian	Pershing Arena	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 4	Lincoln	Pershing Arena	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 7	Drury	Pershing Arena	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 9	Hannibal-LaGrange	Pershing Arena	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 18	at Drury	Springfield, Mo.	7:00 p.m.
Dec. 21	at Quincy	Quincy, Ill.	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 30	at Central Missouri *	Warrensburg, Mo.	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 4	at Washburn *	Topeka, Kan.	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 8	Northwest Missouri *	Pershing Arena	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 11	at Emporia State *	Emporia, Kan.	3:30 p.m.
Jan. 15	at Missouri Western *	St. Joseph, Mo.	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 18	Pittsburg State *	Pershing Arena	3:30 p.m.
Jan. 22	at Missouri-Rolla *	Rolla, Mo.	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 25	Missouri Southern *	Pershing Arena	3:30 p.m.
Jan. 28	at Southwest Baptist *	Bolivar, Mo.	7:45 p.m.
Feb. 1	Washburn *	Pershing Arena	3:30 p.m.
Feb. 5	at Northwest Missouri *	Maryville, Mo.	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 8	Emporia State *	Pershing Arena	3:30 p.m.
Feb. 12	Missouri Western *	Pershing Arena	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 15	at Pittsburg State *	Pittsburg, Kan.	3:30 p.m.
Feb. 19	Missouri-Rolla *	Pershing Arena	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 22	at Missouri Southern *	Joplin, Mo.	3:00 p.m.
Feb. 26	Southwest Baptist *	Pershing Arena	7:30 p.m.
Mar. 1	Central Missouri *	Pershing Arena	3:30 p.m.
Mar. 7-9	Sonic MIAA Tournament	Kansas City, Mo.	

HOME GAMES IN BOLD

All times Local

* Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association match

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TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY (1-1)

VS.

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY (1-0)

Tuesday, November 26, 2002, 7:30 p.m.
(Jason Gymnasium, Jefferson City, Mo.)



TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY

VS.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN (1-3)

Monday, December 2, 2002, 7:30 p.m.
(Pershing Arena, Kirksville, Mo.)

Radio Broadcast: 104.7 FM KRES

Brad Boyer, Play-by-Play; Hank Janssen, Color
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The Truman men's basketball team (1-1) will look to continue the momentum it gained in its opening round of action. The Bulldogs will travel to Lincoln on Tuesday before coming back to Kirksville for its home opener against Central Christian next Monday.

Last weekend in Maryville, Mo., the Bulldogs dropped a game to the third-ranked team in the country, South Dakota State. Truman rebounded for win number one on the year with a victory over Florida Tech.

MATT BERAN NAMED TO ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM: Matt Beran was named to the Milner Classic All-Tournament team. During the two games, he averaged 20 points and 14 rebounds and shot 60% from the field.

SCOUTING THE BLUE TIGERS: Lincoln is 1-0 on the year after opening up the season with a 79-54 win over Missouri-Rolla. The former MIAA school, now a member of the Heartland Conference, lost all five starters from last year's squad that went 14-12 overall and finished third in the Heartland with a 7-3 mark.

In the win over the Miners, Lincoln held Missouri-Rolla to just 34% shooting from the field and forced 30 turnovers while knocking in nine-of-18 from three-point range. Sean Briggs led the team with 16 points followed by Martin Plamer with 15. Renold Marcelline had six boards to lead the Blue Tigers who tied the rebounding battle with Missouri-Rolla.

Lincoln is coached by Bill Pope who is 47-85 in his sixth season at the school and as a head coach.

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SERIES RECORD: Truman and Lincoln have faced each other 70 times prior to their upcoming battle. The Bulldogs have a slight 37-33 advantage in the series. Last year, Lincoln defeated Truman by a 84-60 score in Jefferson City. The last Bulldog win in the series came in 1998-99 when Truman swept both games while Lincoln was still a member of the MIAA.

SCOUTING THE HERALDS: Central Christian College of the Bible stands at 1-3 on the year before facing Ozark Christian this Saturday. The team opened the year with a 72-65 win over Messenger College before dropping contests to Mid-America Bible, Southwestern Christian and Hillsdale Free Will Baptist.

Central Christian, a member of the NCCAA, has been led by Andrew Hodges who is averaging 22.8 points and 13.8 rebounds a game. Jon Boscoe is averaging 9.5 points and 4.8 boards a game and J.D. Defreitas is putting up 8.8 points a contest. Briscoe leads the team with 11 assists and Hodges paces the team with 16 blocks and 15 steals.

Central Christian is coached by Jon Ralls who returns to the coaching sidelines after guiding the Heralds during the 1998-99 season.

SERIES HISTORY: Truman and Central Christian have met just once before with the Bulldogs winning 98-35 during the 1998-99 season.

NORTHWEST MISSOURI MILNER CLASSIC RESULTS

South Dakota State-75, Truman-54: The Bulldogs opened up the season with perhaps its toughest 2002-03 opponent, South Dakota State. The third-ranked team in the country shot just 40.6% on the night but Truman was held to just 32.8% shooting as they fell 75-54.

The Bulldogs were down just four with six and a half minutes remaining in the first half but did not hit another field goal as they were outscored 17-2 the rest of the half. The team played even with South Dakota State in the second-half but could never cut the lead under 19.

Matt Beran was one of the bright spots for Truman as he recorded a double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds. Chip Sodemann was also in double-figures in his first collegiate game with 11 points.

The Jackrabbits were led by Marquise Richardson with 12 points and Jared Gass with 11.

Truman-84, Florida Tech-72: Truman earned its first win of the season with a 84-72 victory over Florida Tech in its final game of the Milner Classic.

The Bulldogs used a 13-4 run towards the end of the first-half to take a 42-34 advantage into the locker room.

The Panthers chipped away at the lead and briefly went ahead 60-59 with just over seven minutes remaining. Truman was up one when Jiri Mikl sparked an 11-2 run with a three-pointer and two other field goals which put the Bulldogs ahead for good.

Matt Beran had a career game with 23 points and 18 rebounds. Mikl ended the game with 15 points and Chip Sodemann was in double-figures for the second straight game with 14. Adam Glosier grabbed 12 rebounds, helping Truman dominate on the boards 45-26. The Bulldogs shot 54.4% from the field for the game while holding the Panthers to 40.7% shooting.

NEW FACES: The 2002-03 Truman team has a lot of new faces with many of them seeing playing time in the first weekend of the season.

Chip Sodemann started both games and scored in double-figures with games of 11 and 14 points. He was seven-of-15 from the field, three-of-five from three-point range and was the team's leading free throw shooting after knocking in eight-of-10 charity shots. Sodemann also had five rebounds, four assists and two steals in the two games.

Gavin and Ryan Welker both saw time at the forward positions. Gavin averaged 5.0 points and 1.0 rebounds while his brother Ryan averaged 7.0 points and 1.5 rebound.

Garrett Grimm and Derek Lindsey both scored their first collegiate points against South Dakota State and redshirt freshman Matt Brock also saw some action and recorded one rebound and one assist in 11 minutes.

IMPROVED DEFENSE: Through two games, the Bulldogs defense looks improved over last year's squad. Truman allowed both opponents to shoot under 41% from the field and the team gave up 73.5 points a game. Last year, opponents shot 45.5% against the Bulldogs and averaged over 77 points a game. Those numbers are even more impressive when you consider that South Dakota State shot 50% from the field last year and averaged over 90 points a game.

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2002-03 TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (Previous Schools)
00	Gavin Welker	F	6-6	185	Fr.	HS	Hanna City, Ill. (Farmington)
3	Chip Sodemann	G	5-11	160	Fr.	HS	St. Louis, Mo. (Parkway West)
4	Aaron Mueller	G	5-10	170	Jr.	2V	St. Louis, Mo. (Lutheran North)
5	Cory Long	G	6-0	155	Sr.	1V	Moberly, Mo. (Moberly)
11	Jiri Mikl	F	6-7	190	Sr.	3V	Ostrava, Czech Republic (University Lab, Urbana, Ill.)
14	Matt Brock	G	5-9	170	Fr.	RS	Camdenton, Mo. (Camdenton)
15	Torre Finley	G	5-9	170	Jr.	2V	Florissant, Mo. (Whitfield)
20	Jeff Nepple	G	6-2	200	Sr.	1V	Carroll, Iowa (Kuemper)
25	Bret Maxwell	F	6-5	200	Sr.	1V	Chariton, Iowa (Chariton)
32	Ryan Welker	F	6-5	190	Fr.	HS	Hanna City, Ill. (Farmington)
35	Derek Lindsey	G	6-3	190	Fr.	HS	Eureka, Mo. (Eureka)
40	Matt Beran	F	6-6	220	Jr.	2V	Victor, Iowa (HLV-Victor)
42	Garret Grimm	C	6-9	210	Fr.	HS	Macomb, Ill. (Macomb)
50	Adam Glosier	C	6-7	255	Jr.	1V	St. Charles, Mo. (St. Charles West/Army)
52	Nathan Zondag	C	6-7	220	Fr.	HS	Randolph, Wisc. (Randolph)

Head Coach: Jack Schrader

Assistant Coach: Tim Deidrick

Graduate Assistant Coach: Scott Coykendall

Student Manager: John Scognamiglio

Athletics Trainer: Stephanie Horton

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RETURNING STARTERS STEP UP: On paper, Matt Beran, Jiri Mikl and Adam Glosier looked like the top returning players for Truman and they played like it last weekend.

Beran was very impressive with a pair of double-doubles including career-highs with 23 points and 18 rebounds against Florida Tech. He currently leads the team in scoring, rebounding, field goal percentage (.600), assists (5) and blocks (3).

Mikl was shut out of the scoring column against South Dakota State but bounced back, hitting several key shots in the win over Florida Tech. He ended that game with 15 points on six-of-nine shooting from the field, including two-of-four from three-point range.

Glosier also had a slow start against the Jackrabbits with four points and six rebounds. Against Florida Tech, he just missed a double-double with nine points and 12 rebounds.

FREE THROW SHOOTING: Truman struggled at the line last season, hitting just 62% of its free throw attempts. The Bulldogs appeared to improve in that area in a scrimmage earlier in the year against former Truman players but the team shot just 60.5% from the line last weekend.

Three newcomers led the Bulldogs free throw shooting as Chip Sodemann hit eight-of-10 from the line and Ryan and Gavin Welker were each three-of-four.

In the final two minutes of the game against Florida Tech, Truman connected on seven-of-12 charity shots to put the game away. Sodemann was three-of-four in that span, Aaron Mueller and Jiri Mikl was one-of-two and Bret Maxwell was two-of-four.

HEAD COACH JACK SCHRADER: Jack Schrader is in his eighth season as head coach of the Truman men's basketball team after serving as an assistant coach at Truman for four years under Willard Sims.

In seven years under Schrader, the Bulldogs have made five appearances in the MIAA postseason tournament. He has an 83-110 career record prior to this year and, in 1998-99, led the team to one of the best seasons in school history which concluded with an appearance in the NCAA Championship Semifinals. Truman claimed the MIAA postseason tournament championship that year and Schrader was named the conference's co-coach of the year and the NABC Regional Coach of the Year.

Prior to coaching the Bulldogs, Schrader has coached professional and high school teams all over the world. He also has playing experience including being a member of the Arizona State Sun Devils for three years. He was drafted by the Phoenix Suns in 1975 and played professionally in Europe.

Assisting Schrader for the third consecutive year is Tim Deidrick. Deidrick is in his 11th year as a collegiate coach, starting as a student and graduate assistant at Truman under Sims. Before returning to Truman in 2000 after assistant coaching jobs at Scottsdale and St. Louis Community Colleges.

MIAA STANDINGS (THROUGH 11/24)

	MIAA		ALL GAMES	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
Missouri Southern	0-0	.000	2-0	1.00
Northwest Missouri	0-0	.000	2-0	1.00
Pittsburg State	0-0	.000	2-0	1.00
Central Missouri	0-0	.000	1-0	1.00
Emporia State	0-0	.000	1-0	1.00
Missouri Western	0-0	.000	1-0	1.00
Washburn	0-0	.000	1-0	1.00
Truman	0-0	.000	1-1	.500
Missouri-Rolla	0-0	.000	0-1	.000
Southwest Baptist	0-0	.000	0-2	.000

SEASON HIGHLIGHT REEL:

◆ Matt Beran was named to the Milner Classic All-Tournament team after averaging 20 points and 14 rebounds a game. In that tournament, he had career-highs with 23 points and 18 rebounds against Florida Tech.

UP NEXT: Next Monday's game against Central Christian is the start of a four-game homestand for the Bulldogs. Truman will face Lincoln on Dec. 4, Drury on Dec. 7 and Hannibal La-Grange on Dec. 9.

2003 SONIC MIAA TOURNAMENT: The men's and women's MIAA Postseason Tournaments will be held at a neutral site this year for the first time. The Sonic MIAA Tournament will take place on March 6-9 at Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City, Mo. For ticket information, call the Truman ticket office at (660) 785-4167.



2002-03 TRUMAN CUMULATIVE STATISTICS

PLAYER	G-GS	MIN	TOTAL FGs		3-POINT FGs		FT-FTA	FT%	REBOUNDS			PF-D	AST	TO	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG	
			FG-FGA	FG%	FG-FGA	FG%			OFF	DEF	TOTAL								AVG
40 Beran, Matt	2-2	62-31.0	18-30	.600	0-1	.000	4-10	.400	10	18	28	14.0	4-0	5	12	3	2	40	20.0
03 Sodemann, Chip	2-2	66-33.0	7-15	.467	3-5	.600	8-10	.800	0	5	5	2.5	3-0	4	5	0	2	25	12.5
11 Mikl, Jiri	2-2	43-21.5	6-16	.375	2-7	.286	1-2	.500	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	1	3	0	3	15	7.5
32 Welker, Ryan	2-0	29-14.5	5-11	.455	1-4	.250	3-4	.750	1	2	3	1.5	1-0	3	1	0	2	14	7.0
50 Glosier, Adam	2-2	44-22.0	6-15	.400	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	7	11	18	9.0	8-0	3	4	0	1	13	6.5
00 Welker, Gavin	2-0	26-13.0	3-7	.429	1-1	1.000	3-4	.750	1	1	2	1.0	3-0	2	1	0	0	10	5.0
25 Maxwell, Bret	2-0	12-6.0	1-2	.500	1-2	.500	4-6	.667	0	1	1	0.5	1-0	0	1	0	0	7	3.5
04 Mueller, Aaron	2-2	45-22.5	2-9	.222	2-9	.222	1-2	.500	0	3	3	1.5	5-0	5	2	0	2	7	3.5
15 Finley, Torre	2-0	26-13.0	2-4	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	7	7	3.5	0-0	2	2	0	0	4	2.0
35 Lindsey, Derek	1-0	8-8.0	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	0	1	1	1.0	1-0	1	0	0	2	1	1.0
42 Grimm, Garret	2-0	15-7.5	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	0-1	.000	0	2	2	1.0	8-0	1	2	0	0	2	1.0
20 Nepple, Jeff	1-0	9-9.0	0-3	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
05 Long, Cory	1-0	3-3.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
14 Brock, Matt	1-0	11-11.0	0-2	.000	0-2	.000	0-0	.000	1	0	1	1.0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM.....									3	4	7	3.5	0		0				
Total.....	2		51-118	.432	10-33	.303	26-43	.605	23	55	78	39.0	35-0	29	33	3	14	138	69.0
Opponents.....	2		52-128	.406	13-39	.333	30-41	.732	24	51	75	37.5	40	22	25	7	15	147	73.5

PLAYER NOTES

#00 Gavin Welker

5.0 ppg, 1.0 rpg, 1.0 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- scored 6 points and had two rebounds in 11 minutes in college debut.

vs. Florida Tech- four points on two-of-three shooting in 15 minutes.

Shooting 42.9% (three-of-seven) from the field... had one assist in both games last week-end... hit his only three-point attempt... three-of-four from the free throw line.

#3 Chip Sodemann

12.5 ppg, 2.5 rpg, 2.0 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- had 11 points in his first collegiate game including four-of-eight shooting from the field.

vs. Florida Tech- in double-figures again with 14 points including six-of-eight from the free throw line. Also had three rebounds and three assists.

Started both games last week... leads the team with three three-pointers and 80% free throw percentage... hitting 46.7% of his field goal attempts... hit three-of-four free throw attempts down the stretch to help seal the win against Florida Tech.

#4 Aaron Mueller

3.5 ppg, 1.5 rpg, 2.5 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- had three points after hitting one-of-four from three-point range. Also had two rebounds and two assists.

vs. Florida Tech- had four points and three assists.

Started both games... tied for the team lead with five assists... a steal in both games... two-of-nine from three-point range.

#5 Cory Long

0.0 ppg, 0.0 rpg, 0.0 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- played three minutes.
vs. Florida Tech- did not play

#11 Jiri Miki

7.5 ppg, 0.0 rpg, 0.5 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- held scoreless after missing seven field goal attempts in 17 minutes.

vs. Florida Tech- hit six-of-nine from the field and scored 15 points.

Started both games... team-high three steals... scored 11 points in the second-half in the win over Florida Tech.

#14 Matt Brock

0.0 ppg, 1.0 rpg, 1.0 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- played 11 minutes and had one rebound and one assist.

vs. Florida Tech- did not play

#15 Torre Finley

1.0 ppg, 3.5 rpg, 1.0 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- had four rebounds and two points in nine minutes.

vs. Florida Tech- two points and three rebounds in 17 minutes.

One-of-two from the field in both games... also had one assist in each game.

#20 Jeff Nepple

0.0 ppg, 0.0 rpg, 1.0 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- played nine minutes and had one assist.

vs. Florida Tech- did not play

#25 Bret Maxwell

3.5 ppg, 0.5 rpg, 0.0 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- three points and one rebound in seven minutes.

vs. Florida Tech- four-of-six from the free throw line in five minutes.

Hit two-of-four free throws down the stretch in the win over Florida Tech.

#32 Ryan Welker

7.0 ppg, 1.5 rpg, 1.5 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- five points on two-of-four field goals in 15 minutes.

vs. Florida Tech- scored nine points and had three assists in 14 minutes.

Shooting 45.5% from the field and 75% from the free throw line... two steals on the year.

#35 Derek Lindsey

1.0 ppg, 1.0 rpg, 1.0 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- one points, one rebound, one assist and two steals in eight minutes.

vs. Florida Tech- did not play.

#40 Matt Beran

20.0 ppg, 14.0 rpg, 2.5 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- team-high 17 points and 10 rebounds

vs. Florida Tech- team-high 23 points, 18 rebounds and five assists.

Two double-doubles on the year... set career-highs in points, field goals and rebounds against Florida Tech... only Bulldog with a block on the year with three... shooting 60% from the field... leads the team in points, rebounds, assists, blocks and field goal percentage.

#42 Garret Grimm

2.0 ppg, 1.0 rpg, 0.5 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- had two points and two rebounds in 11 minutes.

vs. Florida Tech- played four minutes and went 0-1 from the field and the free throw line.

#50 Adam Glosier

6.5 ppg, 9.0 rpg, 1.5 apg

Recent Games:

vs. South Dakota State- had four points and six rebounds.

vs. Florida Tech- nine points and 12 rebounds.

Had double-figure rebounds against Florida Tech... second on the team in rebounding... shooting 40% from the field.