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OLIVET NAZARENE UNIVERSITY TIGERS

NoName	. Yr	Pos	Ht	Wt	. Hometown
4Dane Schlafley	. FR	G	6-1	157	. Peoria, III.
5Josiah Blan	. SO	F/C	6-7	183	. Minooka, III.
10Troy Swindle	. SR	G	6-2	170	. Lindenhurst, III.
12Dakota Bennington	FR	G	6-3	172	. Peoria, III.
13Sherrarr Tate	. SR	G	5-11	170	. Chillicothe, III.
14Abe Barwegen	. SR	G	6-1	197	. Otsego, Mich.
22Chris Green	.JR	G	6-0	186	. Bonfield, III.
23Luke Tuttle	.FR	.F	6-5	160	. Hampshire, III.
30Sterling Thornton	.FR	G	6-0	174	. Sterling, III.
32Nic Reed	.FR	F	6-5	204	. New Albany, Ind.
34Zach Tuxhorn	. SO	F	6-3	<mark>19</mark> 1	. <mark>N</mark> aperville, III.
42Tyler Crater	. SR	G	. 6-3	191	. Hampshire, III.
52Rvan Carl	. SR	F/C	. 6-6	205	. Galesburg, III.

Head Coach: Ralph Hodge (38th season)

Assistant Coaches: Nick Birkey (9th season), Alex Thorson (1st season). Tavlor Tucker (1st season) & Michael Harrison (1st season)

TRINITY INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY TROJANS

# Name	Yr	.Pos	. Ht	.Wt	.Hometown
1 Donovan Wells	FR	.G/F	. 6-5	.180	.Naperville, III.
2 Will Davidson	FR	.G	. 6-4	.190	.Saint-Etienne, France
3 Greg Carlyle	SO	.G	. 5-9	.155	.Compton, Calif
4Luke Mead	SR	. G	. 6-1	.165	.Hoffman Estates, III.
5 Sean Smith	SR	.G	6-1	.190	.LaGrange, III.
10 Jeremy Carlyle	SO	.G	5-9	.165	.Compton, Calif.
11 D.J. Ostrander	JR	.G	6-1	.185	.Lake Villa, III.
15 Nate Quilling	SR	.G/F	6-3	.170	.Elk Mound, Wis.
21 T.J. Johnson	FR	.F	6-6	.225	.Berwyn, III.
23 Henry French	SR	.G	. 6-3	.175	.Chicago, III.
24 Rick Wright					
32 Grant Corsi	SR	.G/F	6-5	.210	.San Diego, Calif.
33 Zach Kirschbaum	SR	.F	6-10	.205	Las Vegas, Nev.
34 Donald Watkins, Jr	SO	.F	6-7	.200	. Warner Robins, Ga.
45 Sam Schroeder	JR	.G	. 5-10	.200	.Gurnee, III.

Head Coach: Boomer Roberts (3rd season)

Assistant Coaches: Nick Ford (1st season), Paul Badgley (1st season) & Steven Siewert (1st season)

BASKETBALL GAME NOTES

Cashing in

ONU Record: 5-13 (3-7) - TIU Record: 16-3 (9-1)

The top team in NAIA Division II and the CCAC in free-throw shooting is ONU, shooting 80.1 percent from the foul line. Olivet is currently 289-for-361 and is 1.5 percent points higher than the second-best team. The Tigers have five Tigers shooting 80 percent or better this season and it all starts with Nic Reed who leads the team with 103 makes out of 120 attempts (.858). In his last six games he has only missed one free-throw going 34-for-35. Tyler Crater is shooting 81.4 percent from the charity stripe (48-for-59) and Dakota Bennington is 22-for-26 (.846). Chris Green is 17-for-19 (.895) and Sterling Thornton is 20-for-22 (.909). Last season the Tigers shot 67.3 percent from the foul line (9th in the CCAC) and in 2014-15 finished shooting 68.7 percent from the free-throw line (7th in the CCAC).

On Nov. 25 TIU lost 90-73 to Arizona Christian and the next day defeated Benedictine University at Mesa 89-84 which started a streak of 10 wins that will be put to the test today against the Tigers. Prior to their 10-game win streak the Trojans had lost three of their last four games including two 25-point plus losses on the road. Yet, in 10 wins they have scored 80 or more points nine times and have four one-point wins including last Saturday over Trinity Christian 92-91 in overtime. Their largest margin of victory was a 91-76 decision over Calumet-St. Joseph on Dec. 10. The Trojans are now 5.5 games ahead of ONU in the league standings and last year when they played ONU was 5.0 games ahead of TIU.

Tale of two "halfs"

In the Tigers last three games they have been outscored by a total 60 points in the second half by their opponents after leading at halftime by a total of 14 points in two games and trailing by two to Roosevelt. So far this season the Tigers have scored 689 points in the first half to 730 in the second half but opponents have scored 722 in the first half to 818 in the second half. In those last three games the Tigers' opponent's shooting percentages in the second half are 78.6, 61.3 and 50.0, respectively Prior to Christmas the Tigers led at Arizona Christian at halftime 40-37 but allowed the Firestorm to score 50 points in the final 20 minutes to win 87-81 shooting 52.8 percent from the field. In one of ONU's wins this season the Tigers led 38-25 over Great Falls (Mont.) at halftime but gave up 43 second half points and 7-of-13 three-point shooting to send it overtime.

Players to watch

After starting in the Tigers first game this season he sat out the next six games due to an ankle injury. He returned on Nov. 30 and has started seven of the next 11 games. Blan is averaging 22.1 points per game and averaging 8.0 points per game, shooting 49.4 percent from the field. He has scored in double figures four times this season including a career-high 21 points against Governors State on Jan. 3 going 8-for-11 from the field. He is also averaging 5.3 rebounds, good for second on the team, of which half are on the offensive end. Blan pulled down a career-high 11 rebounds against Great Falls (Mont.). This is his first career game against TIU.

C Zach Kirschbaum (SR)

The 6-foot, 10-inch senior center for the Trojans in leading the CCAC in rebounding (11.6) and blocks (51) and is 10th in points per game (18.2). He also leads the Trojans in minutes per game (30.7) and is first on the team in shots made and attempted (128-for-246, .520) and leads the team in free-throws (81-for-115, .704). Through 19 games he has led TIU in scoring 12 times and in rebounding in all but one game, recording 14 double-doubles. Last year agains the Tigers he scored 17 points on 6-for-11 shooting, going 4-for-4 from the free-throw line and he grabbed 13 rebounds and had two blocks in 30 minutes.

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OLIVET NAZARENE UNIVERSITY IGERS

No Name	Yr	.Pos	. Ht	. Hometown
3 Ashley Freeman	SR	.G	. 5-6	. Hartford, Wis.
4 Lauren Rouse	JR	. G	. 5-7	. Mundelein, III.
5 Kayla Ross	FR	. G	. 5-7	. Elgin, III.
10 Stef Bazigos	.JR	. G	. 5-6	Glen Ellyn, III.
11 Sierra Riley	.SO	.G	. 5-6	. Rockford, III.
14 Maggie Schmidt	JR	.F	. 5-9	. Eldridge, Iowa
15 Chelsea Rhodes	.JR	.G	. 5-5	. Milwaukee, Wis.
20 Jae Taft	FR	.G	. 5-4	Greenwood, Ind.
21 Tori Lemke	JR	.F	. 5-10	Brillion, Wis.
22 Katie Settingsgaard	FR	. G	. 5-8	. Oak Creek, Wis.
23 Amelia Denison	JR	. G	. 5-8	Dearborn, Mich.
24Trinity Davis	JR	. G	. 5- <mark>8</mark>	. Sheppard AFB, Texas
25 Jess Learned	.SO	.F	. <mark>5-1</mark> 0	. Washington, III.
30 Kayla Krassman	<mark>SR</mark>	.F	. 5-11	. H <mark>artford, Wis</mark> .
32 Sammy Stejskal	.FR	.G	. 5-9 <mark></mark>	Arlington Heights, III.
34 Kaira Barnes	. JR	. G	5-4	Westland, Mich.
44 Capriana Christian	.JR	. G	. 5-8	Vacaville, Calif.

Head Coach: Lauren Stamatis (5th season)

Assistant Coaches: Brooke Peterson (6th season), Aaron Larson (1st season) & Jayne Stuart (1st season)

TRINITY INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY TROJANS

No Name	Yr	Pos	Ht	Hometown
2Rayelle Ross	SR	G	5-4	Sacramento, Calif.
3 Arielle Miree	SR	G	5-2	Chicago, III.
5 Cheyenne Berbey	SO	G	5-1	Mission Viejo, Calif.
10 Nika Bracun	JR	G/F	5-9	Slavonski Brod, Croatia
11 Brookelyn Robertson.	FR	G/F	5-10	Milwaukee, Wis.
12 Jendayi Campbell	SO	F	5-8	Bolingbrook, III.
14 Brandilyn Robertson	FR	G/F	5-10	Milwaukee, Wis.
15 Deserie Hudson	SO	F	5-8	Bolingbrook, III.
21 Basha Ramsey	SR	F	5-9	Centerville, Ohio
22 Marlou Peters	SR	F	6-1	Nijmegen, Netherlands
23 Sarina Falvo	SR	G	5-6	Cairns, Australia
24 Morgayn Perry	FR	G	5-5	Park Forest, III.
25 Tashyra Burrough	JR	G	5-7	Wynnewood, Okla.
30 Autumeize Gardner	FR	F	5-10	Cleveland, Ohio

Head Coach: Laurel Wartluft (4th season)

Assistant Coaches: Daniel Metzelfeld (3rd season)

Wyomen's basketball game notes

Chaos
ONU Record: 13-6 (7-3) - TIU Record: 5-11 (2-8)
The defensive pressure that Tigerball applies each game to their opponent may look like chaos but there is very much a purpose and plan to what the Tigers are doing. For 94 feet ONU is making the opponent work to take care of the ball and keep from making a mistake. When they do the Tigers are there to take it away and convert it into the points. Through 19 games the Tigers have 358 steals to lead the CCAC, over 100 more than second place. They lead the NAIA by 38 more steals than second place. ONU has a turnover margin of 12.4, over 2.5 better than the second-best team. Opponents have 236 more turnovers than the Tigers, a total of 654, which is over 100 more than second. The Tigers have scored 663 points off turnovers this season, which is 32.9 percent of their total points scored this season.

Taking care of business

During the 2016-17 season and the 19 games played thus far ON33U has won 13 games. Of those 13 games the Tigers have played 11 teams with sub .500 records at the time they played and are 11-0 winning each of the games. In those 11 games they have scored 117.6 points per game, eight more than their season average and have only allowed 85.0 points per game which is nine points below their season average. Today the Trojans come with a 5-11 record and averaging 60.0 points and give up 63.7 points per game. Against teams with a above .500 record at the time they played this season ONU is 2-6 and is averaging 97.9 points and give up 106.4 points.

ONU's opponent's are shooting 48.4 percent from the field (747-for-1543) compared to 42.4 for the Tigers (752-for-1774). In 13 wins the Tigers have allowed opponents to shoot above 50 percent from the field only five times and in none of the the last four wins. For example, in their last win on Saturday, January 7 at Roosevelt they only allowed the Lakers to shoot 39.2 percent from the field. In six losses this year including Thursday's 109-91 defeat by No. 1 St. Francis (IL) who shot 56.4 percent from the field, ONU has allowed four of the other five opponents to shoot above 50 percent. The only team not to accomplish that feat was Judson who was 40.8 percent from the field but compared to Olivet who shot 34.4 percent that day.

Players to watch G Kayla Ross (FR)

Ross is doing a great job of playing point guard for coach Stamatis. She has started the last 15 games and is averaging 15.0 minutes per game. She is averaging 5.9 points per game and has scored in double figures three times this season. She is fourth on the team in free-throw attempts (44), shooting 61.4 percent this season). Ross averages 3.6 rebounds per game which is second among guards for ONU. She leads the Tigers with 82 assists and is third in the CCAC in assists per game (4.3) and is fifth in steals per game (2.3). On Saturday agianst Roosevelt she had four steals and on a week ago against IU-South Bend she had a career-high eight assists in a win.

The 5-foot, 6-inch guard from Australia is leading the Trojans in minutes played (31.9) and scoring (11.9), making 56-for-159 and leading the in three-pointers made (15) and free-throws (52-for-60, .867). Falvo also is averaging 3.8 rebounds and is second on the team in assists (43) and steals (26). In Wednesday's win over Trinity Christian she had 17 points, five rebounds and seven assists in 35 minutes. Last year against the Tigers she scored 10 points, had six rebounds and four assists in 37 minutes.





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