



# WISCONSIN

## 2002-03 Men's Basketball Notes, Nov. 4

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### GAME BASICS

Wisconsin will open the 2002-03 season with a pair of exhibition games this week at the Kohl Center (17,142). The Badgers play the EA Sports All-Stars on Wednesday and face Gallos de Pelea on Saturday. Both games will begin at 7 p.m.

### TELEVISION

Neither game will be televised.

### RADIO

The Wisconsin Radio Network carries all Wisconsin games live. Matt Lepay (play-by-play) and Mike Lucas (analysis) call the action.

### INTERNET

All Wisconsin games can be heard live on UWBADGERS.COM, the UW Department of Athletics' website. Also available is all the latest Badger sports news, statistics, information and photos.

### NATIONAL RANKINGS

Wisconsin received votes in the pre-season ESPN/USA Today poll. The Associated Press poll has not been released yet.

### EXHIBITION GAME STORYLINES

- Six players (Andreas Helmigk, Jason Chappell, John Emerson, Ray Nixon, Alando Tucker and Boo Wade) will be making their Badger debuts Wednesday night
- Wisconsin is 34-4 all-time in exhibition games and has won 19 straight preseason games
- EA Sports has three former Big Ten players on its roster - Lucas Johnson and Sergio McClain (Illinois) and Leon Jones (Michigan)
- Gallos de Pelea was the Mexican National Basketball League champion in 2001-02

### WISCONSIN COACH BO RYAN

Bo Ryan is entering his second season as Wisconsin's head coach. Last year, Ryan guided the Badgers to a 19-13 record and a share of the Big Ten regular-season title. He became the first UW coach to be named Big Ten Coach of the Year, the first UW rookie coach to win an NCAA tournament game and set a record for wins by a first-year UW coach.

Ryan owns a career record of 402-116 (.776), the highest winning percentage for any current Division I coach with at least 15 years of coaching experience. He compiled a 30-27 record in two seasons at UW-Milwaukee. The winningest coach in Division III history, Ryan went 353-76 (.822) in 15 years at UW-Platteville. Prior to going to Platteville, he was an assistant at Wisconsin from 1976-84.

### WISCONSIN EXHIBITION NOTES

Wisconsin is 34-4 all-time in exhibition games and has won 19 consecutive preseason games ... the Badgers defeated EA Sports 95-64 last year, with Devin Harris leading the way with 22 points ... Gallos de Pelea is the first international team the UW will play since defeating Yugoslavia-Mornar 64-48 on Nov. 5, 1997 ... the last time Wisconsin lost an exhibition game was in 1992 when the Russian National team defeated Bucky 87-81 ... the EA Sports All-Stars are 0-2 on their current exhibition tour, having lost to UW-Milwaukee (89-62) and UW-Green Bay (73-64) ... former Illinois players Lucas Johnson and Sergio McClain, along with former Michigan Wolverine Leon Jones, are on the EA Sports All-Stars' roster.

### WISCONSIN PROBABLE STARTERS

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Pts.	Reb.	Ast.	Stl.	Blk.	Hometown (High School)
54	Mike Wilkinson	F	6-8	235	So.	9.3	5.3	1.5	1.3	0.4	Blue Mound, Wis. (Wisconsin Heights)
30	Dave Mader	C	6-11	255	Jr.	3.0	2.6	0.7	0.3	0.4	Appleton, Wis. (East)
34	Devin Harris	G	6-3	185	So.	12.3	3.3	1.8	1.3	0.6	Milwaukee, Wis. (Wauwatosa East)
24	Freddie Owens	G	6-2	185	Jr.	8.1	2.7	0.9	0.7	0.0	Milwaukee, Wis. (Washington)
20	Kirk Penney	G	6-5	220	Sr.	15.1	4.9	1.7	0.6	0.1	Auckland, New Zealand (Westlake)

### WISCONSIN RESERVES

32	Deandre Buchanan	F	6-5	195	So.	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Verona, Wis. (HS)
5	Jason Chappell	F/C	6-10	230	Fr.	-	-	-	-	-	New Berlin, Wis. (West/Worcester (Mass.) Acad.)
11	John Emerson	G	6-4	195	Fr.	-	-	-	-	-	New Richmond, Wis. (HS)
13	Clayton Hanson	G	6-5	185	So.	0.9	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	Reedsburg, Wis. (HS)
21	Andreas Helmigk	F	6-9	245	Fr.*	-	-	-	-	-	Klagenfurt, Austria
4	Ray Nixon	F	6-8	205	Fr.	-	-	-	-	-	Whitefish Bay, Wis. (Dominican)
42	Alando Tucker	G/F	6-5	195	Fr.	-	-	-	-	-	Lockport, Ill. (Township)
3	Ike Ukawuba	G	6-3	175	Jr.	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0	Chicago, Ill. (Lincoln Park)
12	Boo Wade	G	6-3	185	Fr.	-	-	-	-	-	Milwaukee, Wis. (Vincent)

stats from 2001-02 season

\* - redshirt freshman

## TEAM NOTES

- The UW opens its regular season on Friday, Nov. 15. The Badgers are hosting the NABC Classic and face Eastern Washington in the first round. Winthrop and Northern Illinois square off in the semifinal with the winners and losers playing each other on Saturday.

- Kirk Penney is the Badgers' lone senior this season. Six of their 11 scholarship players are freshmen and 10 of the 14 players on their roster are either freshmen or sophomores.

- The UW returns five of its top seven players from a year ago. In addition to Penney, juniors Dave Mader and Freddie Owens and sophomores Devin Harris and Mike Wilkinson were key contributors to last year's squad. The Badgers return 73.3 percent of their points and 69.2 percent of their minutes from last year.

- Penney, the lone returning first-team All-Big Ten selection from last year, was named to the preseason "watch list" for the John R. Wooden Award. He joins Michael Finley, Sam Okey and Mike Kelley as the only Badgers to receive that honor.

- Penney spent the latter part of the summer with the New Zealand national team, preparing for and playing in the 2002 World Basketball Championships. The Kiwis finished a surprising fourth (their best-ever showing), losing to Germany in the Bronze Medal game. Penney was second on the team with 16.9 points per game and scored a personal-best 24 points against eventual World Champion Yugoslavia in the semifinals.

- The Badgers earned a share of the Big Ten regular-season championship last year for the first time since 1947. That was also the year head coach Bo Ryan was born. Wisconsin also earned the No. 1 seed in the conference tournament for the first time in school history.

- The UW's 11-5 (.688) record in conference play last year was the school's best since going 10-4 (.714) in 1962. It was just the second time since 1941 that Wisconsin had won 11 Big Ten games (the Badgers were 11-7 in 1997).

## MEDIA INFORMATION

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**BIG TEN TELECONFERENCE** ... Coach Bo Ryan, along with the other 10 Big Ten coaches, is available each Tuesday during the conference season on the Big Ten Teleconference. Ryan has the time slot from 10:10-10:20 a.m. CT. The phone number for news media to call can be obtained by contacting the Big Ten Conference at 847-696-1010 or the UW Sports Information Office.

**INTERVIEW AVAILABILITY** ... Wisconsin players and assistant coaches will conduct interviews one time after practice before each game. Coach Bo Ryan will be available after most practices (except Mondays). Out-of-town media wishing to arrange a phone interview with a player or coach should contact Brian Lucas at 608-263-5052. Coach Bo Ryan will also appear at a media conference each Monday during the regular season at 12:45 p.m. CT in the National W Club Room at Camp Randall Stadium. Live video streaming of the media conference is available at [UWBADGERS.com](http://UWBADGERS.com).

**PRACTICE COVERAGE** ... Wisconsin will practice from 1:30 until approximately 4 p.m. during the first semester. Practices are open to the media beginning at 3 p.m.

**PHOTO AVAILABILITY** ... Mug and action photos of current Wisconsin basketball players and coaches are available at <ftp://www.uwbadgers.com>. Contact the UW Sports Information Office for the passwords.

**LOCKER ROOM ACCESS** ... Wisconsin's locker room is closed during the week and after games. Requests for interviews will be taken on press row during games and players will be made available in the Kohl Center media room. Coach Ryan is also available postgame in the media room prior to the players.

**TEAM INFORMATION** ... Wisconsin's weekly game notes/release is available each Monday during the season. It can be obtained via [UWBADGERS.COM](http://UWBADGERS.COM) or by calling Brian Lucas to receive an e-mailed pdf version. A paper copy is available at the weekly Monday media conference in the National W Club Room at Camp Randall Stadium.

**CREDENTIALS** ... To request credentials to a Wisconsin home game, please fax or e-mail a letter to Brian Lucas at the UW Sports Information Office.

- The Badgers' 19 wins last season were the fifth-best total in UW history. They have won at least 18 games in five of the last six seasons.

- Wisconsin has been invited to the NCAA tournament a school-record four consecutive seasons. Last year, as a No. 8 seed in the East Region, UW defeated St. John's in the first round before falling to eventual national champion Maryland in the second round.

- Entering the 2002-03 season, Wisconsin owns the Big Ten's longest current home-winning streak. The Badgers, who broke Michigan State's Big Ten-record 53-game home winning streak last year, won their final 11 games at the Kohl Center last year. The UW is 46-8 (.852) at home in the last four years.

- The Badgers were the only team to defeat each of the other 10 Big Ten teams last season.

- The UW led the Big Ten in fewest turnovers last season, averaging just 12.9 per game. That was the fourth-best mark in school history. The Badgers were 12-2 when they committed less than 12 turnovers.

- Wisconsin was 14-0 last year when at least four players reached double figures in scoring. The UW had five players (Kirk Penney, Devin Harris, Charlie Wills, Mike Wilkinson and Freddie Owens) average more than 8.0 points per game, the first time that has happened since 1986-87.

- Half of the Badgers' games last season (16 of 32) were decided by six points or less. Wisconsin was 9-7 in those games.

- Wisconsin played 14 road games last season, tops among Big Ten teams. The Badgers played just 13 of their 32 games in Madison last year. This season, the UW will play at the Kohl Center 17 times.

## 2001-02 FINAL BIG TEN STANDINGS

Teams	League			Overall		
	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Wisconsin	11	5	.688	19	13	.594
Ohio State	11	5	.688	24	8	.750
Illinois	11	5	.688	26	9	.743
Indiana	11	5	.688	24	11	.645
Michigan State	10	6	.625	19	12	.613
Minnesota	9	7	.600	18	13	.581
Northwestern	7	9	.438	16	13	.552
Purdue	5	11	.313	13	18	.419
Iowa	5	11	.313	19	16	.543
Michigan	5	11	.313	11	18	.379
Penn State	3	13	.188	7	21	.250

### BIG TEN RESULTS

Nov. 1 Michigan 79, Wayne State 68  
 Magic Johnson All-Stars 104,  
 Michigan State 85

### BIG TEN THIS WEEK

Nov. 5 Harlem Globetrotters at Purdue  
 Nov. 6 EA Sports All-Stars at Penn State  
 Nov. 8 Athletes in Action at Indiana  
 Minn. State-Mankato at Minnesota  
 Nov. 9 EA Sports All-Stars at Northwestern

### BIG TEN NEXT WEEK

Nov. 11 Nike Elite at Penn State  
 Nov. 12 Spotlight Jammers at Illinois  
 Team Nike at Ohio State  
 Nov. 13 EA Sports All-Stars at Iowa  
 Foreign Tour Team at Northwestern  
 Nov. 14 Nike Elite at Michigan State  
 Nov. 15 EA Sports All-Stars at Illinois  
 Nike Elite at Michigan  
 Team Nike at Purdue  
 Nov. 16 Team Nike at Indiana  
 Nov. 17 Team Nike at Minnesota

## PLAYER NOTES

### SENIORS

#### 20 Kirk Penney, G, 6-5, 220

Named to preseason "watch list" for the John R. Wooden Award ... preseason first-team All-Big Ten selection ... lone returning first-team All-Big Ten player from last year ... led Badgers in scoring with 15.1 ppg last year (seventh in Big Ten) ... academic All-Big Ten last year, majoring in landscape architecture ... led native New Zealand to fourth-place finish at the 2002 World Basketball Championships (its best-ever finish), averaging 16.9 points per game ... one of 35 players to appear in the Final Four and Olympics in the same year (2000) ... also the leading scorer on New Zealand's 2001 Goodwill Games team.

### JUNIORS

#### 30 Dave Mader, C, 6-11, 255

Started all 32 games last year, averaging 14.6 minutes per contest ... member of the 2002 Big Ten Foreign Tour team, tying for team lead with 6.8 rebounds per game ... had two front teeth knocked out during a summer pick-up game.

#### 24 Freddie Owens, G, 6-2, 185

Came off the bench to play in all 32 games last year ... good penetrator, averaged 8.1 points last season ... scored 16 straight points in a span of 4:15 during a game last year at Northwestern ... hit game-winning bucket with 25 seconds left to snap Michigan State's Big Ten-record 53-game home winning streak last year ... voted "Funniest Player on the Team" by his teammates ... attended same high school as New York Knick Latrell Sprewell.

#### 3 Ike Ukawuba, G, 6-3, 175

In his third season as a walk-on ... academic All-Big Ten selection last year, majoring in mechanical engineering.

### SOPHOMORES

#### 32 Deandre Buchanan, F, 6-5, 195

In his second season as a walk-on ... appeared in two games last year, making a field goal against Northwestern.

#### 13 Clayton Hanson, G, 6-5, 185

In his second season as a walk-on ... attended same high school as UW Dir. of Basketball Operations Saul Phillips.

#### 34 Devin Harris, G, 6-3, 185

Coming off one of the best freshman campaigns in UW history ... started all 32 games last year ... second leading scorer on the team (12.3 ppg.) ... set or tied UW freshmen records for games started, minutes played, three-pointers, three-point attempts, free throws and free throw percentage ... will switch from shooting guard to point guard this season ... attempted Big Ten-record 20 three-pointers vs. Temple last year ... high school teammate of Marquette's Scott Merritt.

#### 54 Mike Wilkinson, F, 6-8, 235

Played in all 32 games coming off the bench as a redshirt freshman ... second on the team in rebounds with 5.3 per game ... also averaged 9.3 ppg. ... four "double-doubles" last season ... big video game buff ... agricultural business major who, in 10 years, wants to be "on the farm, farming."

### FRESHMEN

#### 5 Jason Chappell, F/C, 6-10, 230

Native of New Berlin, Wis., attended Worcester Academy (Mass.) last year ... father, Len, played in the NBA from 1963-72 and older brother, John, plays for South Carolina.

#### 11 John Emerson, G, 6-4, 195

In his first season as a walk-on ... honorable mention all-state selection at New Richmond HS.

#### 21 Andreas Helmigk, F, 6-9, 245

Redshirted last season after injuring his knee in preseason workouts ... will turn 23 years old on Dec. 10 ... voted both "Best Dressed" and "Worst Dressed" by his teammates.

#### 4 Ray Nixon, F, 6-8, 205

Second-team all-state selection as a senior at Whitefish Bay Dominican HS ... same high school as New York Knick Shandon Anderson.

#### 42 Alando Tucker, G/F, 6-5, 195

First-team all-state selection as a senior at Lockport Township HS ... good athlete with outstanding leaping ability.

#### 12 Boo Wade, G, 6-3, 185

First-team all-state selection as a senior at Milwaukee Vincent HS ... won two state championships in high school.

# 2002-03 Wisconsin Men's Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT	TV/ATT.	UW SCORER	UW REBOUNDER
Nov. 6	EA SPORTS ALL-STARS*	7 p.m.	None		
Nov. 9	INTERNATIONAL TEAM*	7 p.m.	None		
<i>NABC Classic (Madison, Wis.)</i>					
Nov. 15	EASTERN WASHINGTON	8 p.m.	TBA		
Nov. 16	WINTHROP / N. ILLINOIS	6 or 8 p.m.	TBA		
Nov. 23	UW-MILWAUKEE	7 p.m.	ESPN Local		
Nov. 30	at UW-Green Bay	1:05 p.m.	TBA		
<i>ACC-Big Ten Challenge (Madison, Wis.)</i>					
Dec. 4	WAKE FOREST	8:30 p.m.	ESPN2 / WPT		
Dec. 7	UNLV	11 a.m.	Fox Sports Net		
Dec. 11	NEW HAMPSHIRE	7 p.m.	TBA		
Dec. 14	at Marquette	7:30 p.m.	Fox Sports Net		
Dec. 21	TEXAS SOUTHERN	Noon	Fox Sports Net		
Dec. 23	OHIO	7 p.m.	ESPN Local / WPT		
Jan. 2	at Temple	6 p.m.	ESPN Local		
Jan. 4	CHICAGO STATE	Noon	TBA		
Jan. 8	at Michigan	7 p.m.	ESPN Local		
Jan. 11	at Illinois	3:37 p.m.	ESPN Regional		
Jan. 15	MINNESOTA	7 p.m.	ESPN Local / WPT		
Jan. 18	at Ohio State	7 p.m.	ESPN Local		
Jan. 22	IOWA	7 p.m.	ESPN Local		
Jan. 29	NORTHWESTERN	7 p.m.	Fox Sports Net		
Feb. 1	PENN STATE	3:37 p.m.	ESPN Regional / WPT		
Feb. 5	at Purdue	6 p.m.	ESPN Local		
Feb. 8	at Northwestern	1 p.m.	ESPN		
Feb. 11	MICHIGAN STATE	6 p.m.	ESPN / WPT		
Feb. 15	INDIANA	Noon	CBS		
Feb. 19	at Penn State	7 p.m.	Fox Sports Net		
Feb. 22	at Iowa	3 p.m.	ESPN		
Feb. 26	MICHIGAN	8 p.m.	ESPN Local / WPT		
March 2	at Minnesota	1 p.m.	CBS		
March 5	ILLINOIS	8 p.m.	Fox Sports Net / WPT		
<i>2003 Big Ten Tournament (Chicago, Ill.)</i>					
March 13-16		TBA	TBA		

home games in CAPS

all times CST

subject to change

\* - exhibition game