



**2011-2012 Baldwin-Wallace College
Women's Basketball "Stinger": Game #23
The Yellow Jackets at Capital University
on Saturday, February 11, 2012
in the Capital Center in Bexley, Ohio at 3:00 p.m.**



BEREA, OHIO -- The Baldwin-Wallace College women's basketball team travels to Columbus, Ohio to play Capital University in a key Ohio Athletic Conference game on Saturday, February 11, 2012 in the Capital Center at 3:00 p.m. This is the 23rd game of the regular season for the Yellow Jackets and the second versus the Crusaders.

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BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE

LOCATION : Berea, Ohio
NICKNAME: Yellow Jackets
CONFERENCE: Ohio Athletic
2011-12 RECORD: 15-7
OAC RECORD: 10-5
LAST GAME: Defeated John Carroll University, 78-58, on February 8 in University Heights
HEAD COACH: Cheri Harrer
B-W RECORD: 448-160
YEAR AT B-W: 22nd
CAREER RECORD: same as above
SERIES RECORD: CU leads, 42-22
LAST MEETING: Jan. 7, 2012 in Berea, B-W won, 57-50
NEXT GAME: Feb. 15 **HOST** Mount Union at 7:30 p.m.

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: Columbus, Ohio
NICKNAME: Crusaders
CONFERENCE: Ohio Athletic
2011-12 RECORD: 14-8
OAC RECORD: 9-6
LAST GAME: Lost at Otterbein, 84-72, on February 8 in Westerville
HEAD COACH: Dixie Jeffers
RECORD at SCHOOL: 555-160
YEAR AT SCHOOL: 26th
CAREER RECORD: 607-181 in 28 seasons
SERIES STREAK: B-W, one straight
FIRST MEETING: 1982-83, Capital Won 103-50

The Pre-Game Setup -- The Baldwin-Wallace College women's basketball team travels to Bexley, Ohio to play Ohio Athletic Conference arch-rival Capital University in one of the best rivalries in NCAA Division III women's basketball (*see more below in the B-W versus Capital all-time series information*).

The Yellow Jackets enter the game with a record of 15-7 overall and 10-5 in the OAC following their 78-58 victory against John Carroll University on Wednesday, February 8 in Cleveland. B-W has won six straight games. The Yellow Jackets are tied with Otterbein University for third place in the OAC Standings and one game ahead of Capital. B-W is three games back of second place Ohio Northern University (13-2 in the OAC).

Capital enters the game with a 14-8 overall and 9-6 OAC record following its 84-72 loss at Otterbein in Westerville on February 8. The Crusaders have lost three of the last four games, but have won six of the past nine overall. Capital is all alone in fifth place, three games ahead of sixth place Wilmington College (6-9 in the OAC).

The B-W versus Capital All-Time Series -- This is the 65th time that B-W and Capital will meet in women's basketball. The Crusaders lead the all-time series, 42-22, but the Yellow Jackets have won 22 of the past 33 meetings, including a 57-50 triumph the last time the two schools met on January 7, 2012 in Berea. The first-ever meeting occurred during the 1982-83 season with Capital winning, 103-50. The Crusaders won the first 31 games in the series.

Since the 1998-99 season, B-W has won seven OAC regular season and five OAC Tournament titles compared to three OAC regular season titles and two OAC Tournament titles for the Crusaders. The coaching matchup features the top two winningest coaches in OAC women's basketball history in Capital's Dixie Jeffers and B-W's Cheri Harrer. Combined, Jeffers (607) and Harrer (448) have combined for 1,055 total victories, 19 OAC regular season titles and 14 OAC Tournament crowns.

In the Last B-W versus Capital Game on January 7, 2012 in Berea, Ohio: Baldwin-Wallace -- 57, Capital -- 50 -- In the first meeting this season between B-W and Capital, the Yellow Jackets beat the Crusaders, 57-50, in the Rudolph Ursprung Gymnasium in the Lou Higgins Center on January 7. B-W was led by 5'9" sophomore guard **Jessica Lairson (Louisville)** who had 13 points and seven rebounds. In addition, 5'7" junior All-OAC forward **Jessica Carpenter (North Canton/Hoover)** contributed 10 points and four rebounds. Capital was led by 5'10" senior forward Shalena Hawkins who had 13 points and a game-high 10 rebounds. The key to the Yellow Jacket victory included outrebounding the Crusaders, 46-35.

Scouting the Yellow Jackets of Baldwin-Wallace College -- Look for **Head Coach Cheri Harrer** to play as many as 12 student-athletes in her rotation. B-W is scoring 60.7 points-per-game and allowing 56.6 ppg. for a plus 4.1 ppg. differential. B-W grabs 38.1 rebounds-per-game and allows 32.8 for a plus 5.3 rpg. differential. The Yellow Jackets shoot 40.4 percent from the field on 476-of-1,177 attempts, including 33.3% from three-point range on 95-of-285 attempts, and 71.7% from the foul line on 289-of-403 attempts.

Look for **Head Coach Cheri Harrer** to start 5'10" senior forward **Catherine Spisak (Sandusky/St. Mary Central Catholic)**, 6'0" junior forward **Nancy Coulter (Washington Courthouse/Miami Trace)** and **Jessica Carpenter** at the forward positions. In the backcourt, look for **Jessica Larison** and 5'6" junior **Rachel Rossman (Olmsted Falls)** to start. **Lairson**, who scored a career-high 26 points on Wednesday night tops the team in scoring at 12.4 ppg., and has a team-leading 34 steals. **Carpenter** is second at 9.5 ppg., grabs 2.6 rpg. and has a team-leading 25 three-pointers. **Coulter** is fourth at 7.0 ppg., grabs 4.5 rpg. and has 24 blocked shots. **Rossman** scores 4.3 ppg., grabs 1.6 rpg. and tops the team with 103 assists. **Spisak** scores 4.0 ppg. and grabs a team-high 8.1 rpg.

In addition look for **Harrer** to utilize 5'11" sophomore forward **Lexi Rohrbach (Tiffin/Columbian)**, 5'7" junior guard **Megan Frisina (Corry, Pa./Corry Area)**, 6'1" sophomore forward **Natalia Simovic (Seven Hills/Normandy)**, 5'9" freshman guard **Audrey Smolik (Strongsville)**, 5'6" freshman guard **Shari Mangas (Leipsic)**, 5'10" freshman forward **Jenna Andreas (Pickerington/North)** and 5'10" freshman forward **Sharlee Bailey (Wadsworth)**. **Smolik** scores 6.9 ppg. and grabs 2.4 rpg. **Rohrbach** scores 5.4 ppg. and grabs 4.3 rpg. **Simovic** scores 4.8 ppg., and grabs 3.3 rpg. and leads the team in blocked shots with 33.

In B-W's Last Game: Baldwin-Wallace -- 78, John Carrol -- 58 in University Heights on February 8 -- In B-W's last game, a 78-58 victory against John Carroll University on February 8 in University Heights, the Yellow Jackets were led by Lairson with a career-high 26 points. In addition, Mangas contributed 11 points and a career-high five assists. The keys to the B-W win included outrebounding John Carroll 39-30 and outscoring the Blue Streaks 24-10 from the charity stripe.

Scouting the Crusaders of Capital University -- Look for veteran Crusader Head Coach Dixie Jeffers to play a base group of eight student-athletes and usually 10 per game. Capital scores 63.4 ppg. and allows 60.1 ppg. for a plus 3.3 ppg. differential. The Crusaders grab 38.2 rpg. and allow 39.0 rpg. for a minus 0.8 rpg. differential. Capital shoots 40.5 percent from the floor (519-of-1,280 attempts), including 26.5 percent from three-point range (52-of-196), and 68.5 percent from the foul line (305-of-445).

Look for Jeffers to start 5'10" senior Shalena Hawkins, 5'10" senior Hillary Kuhns and 5'10" junior Stacy Timmerman at the forward positions and 5'6" sophomore Cookie Geroski and 5'8" junior Rebekah Will in the backcourt. Hawkins tops the team in scoring at 14.0 ppg. and rebounding at 7.5 rpg. She shoots 54.2% from the floor on 123-of-227 attempts. Timmerman is second at 10.3 ppg. and grabs 5.1 rpg. Kuhns is third at 9.4 ppg., grabs 5.5 rpg. and leads the team with 25 blocks. Geroski scores 8.1 ppg., grabs 5.9 rpg., tops the team with 73 assists and is tied for first with 17 treys. Will scores 8.6 ppg., grabs 4.1 rpg., tied for team lead with 17 triples and has a team best 46 steals.

Off the bench, look for 5'10" sophomore forward Jamie Caton, 5'10" freshman guard Shelby Sheets, 5'6" sophomore guard Courtney Dingess, 6'0" freshman center Monica Heckman and 5'7" sophomore forward Maggie Donnellan to see playing time. Caton is fourth in scoring at 8.8 ppg., grabs 2.4 rpg. and has 32 steals. Sheets scores 2.0 ppg. and grabs 1.3 rpg.

In Capital's Last Game: Capital -- 72, Otterbein University-- 84 in Westerville on February 8 -- In Capital's last game, an 84-72 loss against Otterbein in Westerville on February 8. Hawkisn, Timmerman and Will led the Crusaders in scoring with 15 points apiece. In addition, Kuhns contributed 12 points. The keys to the Capital's loss included being outrebounded 42-26 and being outscored 18-5 at the foul line.

Yellow Jacket Chatter

Rossmann Approaching -- Junior point guard **Rachel Rossmann (Olmsted Falls)** enters the game with 255 career assists and needs six more to surpass former All-American, B-W Hall of Famer and current NACDA (National Association of College Directors of Athletics) Director of Public Relations Julie Work (1995-99) and move into the Top-10 all-time. Work had 257 assists. After that, Connie Gribben (1986-90) is ninth at 261 assists.

Spisak Ninth All-Time in Rebounding -- Senior forward **Catherine Spisak (Sandusky/ St. Mary's Central Catholic)** enters the Capital game with 573 career rebounds and currently stands ninth all-time in school history. She needs 72 more to surpass former All-American and B-W Hall of Famer Anjee Beard (1996-2000), who had 644 caroms, and move into eighth place all-time.

Harrer's 448 Career Wins are Second All-Time in OAC History-- Veteran **Head Coach Cheri Harrer** enters the Capital game with 448 career victories and a 448-160 career record. She is second all-time in Ohio Athletic Conference history in terms of coaching wins. **Harrer** has an outstanding .737 winning percentage.

New OAC Tournament Format in 2012: The OAC tournament will take place on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday during the week of February 21-25. The top two teams receive byes to the semifinals on Thursday and the No.3 and No.4 teams have a first-round bye and will play on Tuesday. Monday's games will pit the No.8-seed at No.5 and the No.7-seed at No.6. The winners would travel to the No.3 and No.4-seeds on Tuesday and those winners would travel to the No.1 and No.2-seeds on Thursday. The Championship Game is on Saturday, February 25.

B-W in NCAA Tourney 11 of the Last 16 Years -- The Yellow Jackets have advanced to 11 of the last 16 NCAA Division III national tournaments, including to the "Elite Eight" three times.

B-W's OAC Championships: Seven Regular Season & Five Tourney -- B-W has captured seven OAC regular season championships and five OAC Tournament titles with Cheri Harrer as its coach. The OAC regular season championships occurred in 1998-99, 1999-2000, 2000-2001, 2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2005-2006 and 2007-2008. The OAC tourney titles occurred in 1998-1999, 1999-2000, 2000-2001, 2004-2005 and 2007-2008.

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