



The Rage Page



Welcome to Crisler Arena on this Sunday afternoon in late November for another exciting episode of Michigan Basketball! Last time we saw our Wolverines they were busy shooting 48% from the field and 47% from behind the 3-pt line in a big win over Bowling Green. Today, the Gardner-Webb Runnin' Bulldogs make the 11 hour trip up from Boiling Springs, NC to face a Michigan team coming off a pretty convincing win in the first game of the Legends Classic. This game will be the second game of the Legends Classic, but no matter the outcome, the Wolverines will head on to Atlantic City, NJ to face #10 Syracuse next weekend. A win today gives this young team growing confidence, which will be necessary to take down a top-10 team. Let's make sure we let the team know WE BELIEVE so be loud, be hype, and GO BLUE!

Here is the projected starting lineup for the Gardner-Webb Runnin' Bulldogs (3-1, 0-0 Big South):

4	Luke Davis	6'0"	G	"Could be one of the top freshmen in the Big South Conference by season's end" according to the GWU website
11	Laron Buggs	6'1"	G	Junior from Tulsa, OK transferred from Murray St Junior College
35	Jonathan Moore*	6'4"	W	Former walk-on returns for his senior year as the team's top scorer from last year, averaging 10 pts per game
5	Stefon Johnson	6'6"	F	Stefon racked up 10 pts in Gardner-Webb's 78-42 thrashing of worthy opponent Virginia Intermont College
31	Santoine Butler	6'7"	F	Santoine is a freshman who is perhaps the most athletically gifted player to sign with GWU in quite some time
Coach	Chris Holtmann			Holtmann enters his first year as head coach of the Runnin' Bulldogs after two seasons as assistant at Ohio. This marks his second stop at GWU after spending time as an assistant from 2003-2008.

**To comply with the new Big Ten Sportsmanship code, the Bum of the Game has been removed from the Rage Page. Instead, Jonathan Moore is now the "Player to Watch".*

Tweet Tweet: It seems like Gardner-Webb Head Coach Chris Holtmann is trying to get into the whole Twitter craze that is going on around cyberspace today. His most recent tweet is from last Thursday before their game against VA Intermont showing his excitement for the game. I know what you're thinking...why so excited to play VA Intermont (NAIA D-II)? Well, Coach is quick to point out that they need to be "dialed in" because the game was "the last one before December 31st". Let's thank Holtmann for letting his fans know what he's doing on Twitter, all 272 of them (the Maize Rage has 325 followers... follow us @UMMaizeRage!).

Transfer City: Similar to many other small basketball programs spread out around Division I, Gardner-Webb has accumulated multiple transfers from junior colleges. The Runnin' Bulldogs currently have 5 players who previously played on the JuCo level. One such player on the roster **#11 Bryan Burrell** transferred out of the Vance-Greenville CC program after leading the conference in assists and leading his team in free throws made. Burrell is averaging only 4 minutes per game and has scored just 1 point and 3 assists this season.

Briefly: Unfortunately, sophomore guard **#24 Brian McNair** isn't related to the late NFL great Steve "Air" McNair, but he was awarded All-State honors in high school at Greenfield School. That All-State team included McNair along with NBA rookie John Wall... Junior guard **#3 David Brown** had a triple double in a regular season game scoring 13 points, grabbing 11 rebounds, and dishing out 10 assists... Forward **#23 Luke Engelken** played a career high 23 minutes against Penn State last year, grabbing a total of three rebounds, 0 points (0-4 from the field), and 2 turnovers.

THE REST OF THE CARDINALS: #2 Jay Royster, #3 David Brown, #32 Jason Dawson, #33 Keith Manley, #34 Joshua Henley, #54 Michael Byron

- SVSU's Free Throws: Listen in to the center of the Rage where the chant will be started, and follow along with one of these:
- You Will Miss! You Will Miss! You Will Miss! (And upon a miss, yell "Thank you")
 - Gooooo!! Bluuuuuuue!! (with the rest of the crowd)
 - Sing The Victors (listen for the "1, 2, you know what to do!")
 - Upon a made free throw, listen for the "It doesn't matter!" prompt and yell "You still suck!"

Keep it classy, Rage: As we work toward becoming a great student section, it's important that we refrain from swearing and making other negative slurs throughout the game. The University of Michigan is an institution of class, and as a collective representative of the University, we need to uphold this standard. It's cool to razz the opposition, but keep it clean, Ragers.

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Here is the projected starting lineup for YOUR Michigan Wolverines (2-0, 0-0 Big Ten):

4	Darius Morris	6'4"	G	Recorded the first 10-assist game for Michigan since Manny Harris had 10 against Creighton in November, 2009
0	Zack Novak	6'4"	G	Had two monster blocked shots on the fast break that had the Big Ten Network announcers comparing him to LeBron James with his hops
10	Tim Hardaway Jr.	6'5"	G	Had an off day against BGSU but still played well in the second half
23	Evan Smotrycz	6'9"	F	With no fear and the green light to shoot, he led the team in scoring against BGSU with 14 points while hitting four 3-pointers
52	Jordan Morgan	6'8"	F	Along with Novak, led the team with 8 boards on Thursday
Coach	John Beilein			Coach Beilein needs 1 more win to obtain 600 career wins.

CHINESE FIRE DRILL: You may remember this from last year, but it's time for the return of the fire drill! At the 4-minute mark of the first half (we will count down) listen for the center section to scream out the signal for the commencement of the Chinese Fire Drill. Once you hear the signal, let the insanity begin! If you do not know what the Chinese Fire Drill is, be sure to ask somebody around you so you do not get caught up in the madness that shall ensue.

Zack Novak = LeBron James? At not one, but TWO different times against Bowling Green, Zack Novak showed Tayshaun Prince-esque shot blocking ability when he chased down an opposing guard on the fast break and blocked a layup. After the second block, the Big Ten Network announcers compared the Wolverines captain to LeBron James because of his uncanny ability to track down the ball on defense. Hopefully Zack does not schedule an hour-long, drawn out ESPN special and then take his talents elsewhere...

The Legends Classic: Today marks the second game of the Legends Classic Opening Round games. After today's game, Michigan will move on to Atlantic City, New Jersey, where they will face Syracuse on Saturday, and then either Georgia Tech or UTEP the following day. Regardless of how the Wolverines finish today, they will move on to play against a very tough Orange team that was ranked 10th as of Saturday, November 20th. If the Wolverines hope to surprise some people this season, it begins with next week's showdown with Jim Boeheim and his Big East powerhouse.

***H-BOMB:** When Tim Hardaway Jr. hits a three, drop back in your seats as if a bomb has violently shaken Crisler Arena. Simultaneously, yell "Timmay" (Like Timmy from South Park).

THE FISH: At halftime, be sure to sit down and start swaying back and forth. You will see random Maize Ragers jump up and flop like a fish. If you feel so inclined, go ahead and try it out, too!

Chants: Be steady and don't speed up, or the chants will become disorganized and ineffective...

Offense:

- Here we go Michigan, here we go! (clap clap)
- Let's Go Michigan! (clap, clap, clap clap clap)
- Go, Blue, Go! (clap clap clap)
- Let's Go Blue! (clap)
- Go Blue! (clap clap)

Defense:

- De-fense! (clap clap)
- D-D-D-Defense! D-D-D-Defense!
- Popcorn (Jump up and down while screaming OHHHH!!)
- Bounce! Bounce! Pass! (Yell "bounce" when the opposition dribbles, and "pass" when they pass)

Upcoming games:

November 26	vs Syracuse	8:00pm	First game against a ranked opponent this season
November 27	vs Ga Tech or UTEP	TBD	Played at either 5:30pm or 8:00pm
November 30	@ Clemson	9:00pm	ACC-Big Ten Challenge



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The Histo and Bacari Corner

Did you know...

- Michigan is 4-2 all time on November 21, with the latest game coming two years ago (a loss against Duke, 71-56) at Madison Square Garden for the 2K Sports Championship.

Coach BA's Tweets of the Week!

Nov. 18 – "The Maize Rage is awesome!"

Nov. 18 – "Keep growing with us! We are trying to build championship habits by winning possessions. That's the key. Go Blue!"