

The Rage Page



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Coming off its first true road win in four seasons after defeating the Tigers of Clemson by a score of 69-61 in the Big Ten/ACC Challenge on Tuesday night, Michigan welcomes a familiar face to Crisler Arena tonight – Harvard's head coach Tommy Amaker. After coaching the Wolverines to six disappointing non-NCAA Tournament finishes, Amaker was fired and left looking for a job. Soon after, the Crimson came calling, and Amaker went running. Michigan didn't look back, and soon hired John Beilein, who has this very young team headed in the right direction. With the start of Big Ten play just around the corner, each and every win counts, so this afternoon, be loud, be proud, and help cheer our Michigan basketball team on to another much-needed victory.

Here is the *projected* starting lineup for the Harvard Crimson (5-1, 0-0 Ivy League):

15	Christian Webster	6'5"	G	Second-leading scorer with 16.2 ppg, the sophomore from D.C. enjoys music,
				movies, and animals.
11	Oliver McNally	6'3"	\mathbf{G}	Junior from San Francisco is an avid collector of athletic shoes. Averages
				9.6 points per game this season and majors in Government.
10	Brandyn Curry	6'1"	G	Averaging 10.6 points, 6.8 assists, and 5.6 rebounds per game, the sophomore
				was once featured on "Faces in the Crowd" in Sports Illustrated.
44	Keith Wright	6'8"	F	Leading scorer (17.2 ppg) and rebounder (8.8 rpg), the junior was named Ivy
				Player of the Week last week.
12	Jeff Georgatos	6'7"	F	Averaging 1.8 ppg and 13.4 minutes per game, the sophomore was a
				McDonald's All-America nominee as a senior in high school.
Coach	Tommy Amaker			Somehow managed to sign a top-25 recruiting class in his second year
				at Harvard after failing to live up to expectations at Michigan.

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

He's Back! Three years ago, Michigan lost to Tommy Amaker on the road, 62-51, and it was believed that he had the last laugh against the school that fired him. Students rushed the floor, we were embarrassed, whatever. But we are in Ann Arbor now, and between our team and the Maize Rage, it will be a tough task for him to escape with a victory again. And with John Beilein's system firmly in place, we will see what both are made of as they square off for the second time with their respective schools. Both coaches have had moderate success, with Beilein taking Michigan to the big dance for the first time in a decade, and Amaker taking the Crimson to the world-renowned CollegeInsider.com Tournament. Keep in mind that the Crimson's appearance in the third-tier postseason tournament was their first postseason tournament appearance since *1946*. Wow. Too bad he still can't get his boys past Ivy League juggernaut Cornell, who has represented the conference in the NCAA Tournament the last three years... all without a top-25 recruiting class like Amaker boasts. Sounds like the same song he was singing when he coached here, doesn't it?

Two-Sport Star: It is a rare occurrence these days that we see a Deion Sanders or a Jim Brown, who excel in multiple sports, but Harvard appears to have one on their own campus. Freshman **Matt Brown** (#3) plays both basketball and football for the Crimson, and plans to continue to do so throughout his career. On the gridiron this past season, Brown recorded eight receptions for 85 yards of offense, but has yet to see the basketball court. Let's encourage Tommy to send out Brown so we can get a good look at the young star.

Briefly: Freshman **Jamie Moore** (#40) was ranked as a top-10 senior basketball prospect in Northern California last year; also enjoys the culinary arts and opera...Freshman 7'0" center **Ugo Okam** (#55) started his high school career in Nigeria before moving to Florida...Canadian freshman **Laurent Rivard** (#0) was a three-time Quebec champion in mountain biking...Freshman **Ernest Rouse** (#45) was elected to the All Star Wheel Chair Classic New York team... Sophomore **Kyle Casey** (#30), last year's Ivy League Rookie of the year, is coming off a broken foot and is expected to play today.

THE REST OF THE CRIMSON: #20 Andrew Van Nest #21 Dee Giger, and #34 Tom Hamel

Harvard'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 one of the premiere student sections in the country, 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 <i>projected</i> starting lineup for YOUR Michigan Wolverines (4-2, 0-0 Big Ten):						
4	Darius Morris	6'4"	G	The hard work in the off-season is showing for D-Mo as he played 39 minutes		
				against Clemson and was 3 rebounds and 2 assists away from a triple-double.		
0	Zack Novak	6'4"	G	Zack fired up the small but effective Michigan section in Clemson with 2		
				straight 3-pointers late in the second half to put Michigan up 18 points.		
10	Tim Hardaway Jr.	6'5"	G	Even though Tim Jr. was on the court, Tim Sr. was almost stealing the show		
				as he found his way onto the TV quite a few times over the weekend.		
23	Evan Smotrycz	6'9"	F	Evan had as spectacular game in Clemson, netting 18 points, shooting 6-7		
				from the field along with 6 rebounds, 4 of which were offensive boards.		
52	Jordan Morgan	6'8"	F	Morgan is averaging a surprising 10.2 ppg as a redshirt freshman.		
Coach	John Beilein			You can bet JB will be rocking the shirt and tie with the sleeves rolled up.		

A First From Tuesday Night: As almost all of you know, the Wolverines went down to South Carolina and beat Clemson 69-61 last Tuesday. However, some of you might not know that the win was the first time Michigan won its first true non-conference road game of the season since the 2005-2006 season. That win came against the Boston Terriers, and you know who coached the team to that win... Tommy Amaker. Turns our Amaker lead the team to a 20-11 season (8-8 in the Big Ten), with a loss in the NIT Championship Game against South Carolina.

Tiger Domination: The Wolverine's win over Clemson this week followed a familiar trend for Michigan Basketball and John Beilein. The victory put Michigan at an all-time record of 4-0 against Clemson, along with adding another win to Coach Beilein's now 3-0 record over the Tigers. The last win before Tuesday's game came 2 years ago in the first round of the NCAA Tournament in Kansas City, MO. If you're wondering when Beilein's other victory vs. Clemson was, it was in the NIT Championship Game the year before he came to Michigan.

MSU Home Game: If you haven't looked this far ahead in the season, the Michigan State game is the last game of the year, which also is not included in your season tickets. The deadline to order them is December 17th. Go to or call the Michigan Ticket office to order.

*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-Defense! 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:			
December 6	vs Concordia	7:30pm	Concordia comes in for the "Battle of Geddes"
December 10	vs Utah	6:30pm	Rematch of the loss Michigan faced last year in Salt Lake City
December 6 December 10 December 14	vs NC Central	8:00pm	Celebrate the first day of no classes by coming to this game



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The Histo and Bacari Corner

Did you know...

- Michigan is 155-124 all time in their coach's fourth season with the team
- The last time Michigan played Harvard was three years ago when they fell to the Crimson 62-51

Coach Bacari's Tweets of the Week!

Nov. 26 – "Get it right, do it right, keep it tight!"

Dec. 1 – "We would like to protect home. Can you help us pack

Crisler? Our players need it and appreciate it."