MEN'S BASKETBALL HOSTS MISSOURI-ROLLA ON WEDNESDAY

THE GAME: Truman State University Bulldogs (Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association/NCAA Division II) vs. University of Missouri-Rolla Miners (MIAA/NCAA Division II)

Date: Wed., Jan. 23  
Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Kirksville, Mo.

Arena (Capacity): Pershing Arena (2,600)

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TRUMAN (2-13, 0-7 MIAA): The Bulldogs continue to play virtually every MIAA foe tough, battling down to the waning moments with a chance to win in five of the six games. Truman has four MIAA defeats by nine points or less and all six of the seven games have been decided by a margin no wider than 12.

The MIAA slate has Missouri-Rolla at Pershing Arena tonight as Truman will look to halt an eight-game slide. The ‘Dogs have won six of the last seven meetings with UMR.

Four players are currently averaging double figures for Truman, led by junior Jiri Mikl (Ostrava, Czech Republic/Cs. Exil 491, Ostrava) at 12.9 points per game. However, Mikl’s status is doubtful for Wednesday’s game as he’s battling a sprained ankle. He leads the MIAA in three-pointers made per game, ranking tied for 21st on the NCAA Division II level. He’s also tops in the league and 11th in Division II with a 48.9 percentage from the arc. Mikl has scored in double figures in nine of the last 11.

Senior Nathan Owen (Cape Girardeau, Mo./Central HS, SE Missouri St.) and freshman Mark Huppe (Overland Park, Kan./St. Thomas Aquinas) are averaging 13.6 and 12.6 points per game in MIAA action. They join senior Scott Coykendall (Elmwood, Ill./Armington HS, Spoon River CC) as the other representatives in double figures. Coykendall averages 11.5 points per game, Owen 11.1 and Huppe 11.0.

FOR THREE: The Bulldogs torrid three-point shooting pace ranks among the best in the nation. In Division II, Truman leads the way in three-pointers made per game through games of Jan. 21. Among all NCAA Divisions, the ‘Dogs rank fourth in threes made per game.

Here’s a look at the top five for all divisions: 1. Grinnell (Iowa), 19.20; 2. St. Bonaventure (N.Y.), 11.41; 3. Muskingum (Ohio), 11.12; 4. Truman, 10.53; 5. Benedictine (Ill.).
TRUMAN LEADS 54-16

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TRUMAN LEADS 29-26 +41 (92-51), Jan. 25, 1957 at Kirksville

As a team, the 'Dogs is tied for seventh in blocked shots (0.93 pg) and 15th

0.000 had 13 first-half

rebounding (7.6 rpg) and

is eighth in the MIAA in three-pointers made (3.14 pg) and

percent at the three-point line. The Gorillas also connected on 13

50 percent from three-point territory (7-of-14).

for Truman, Coykendall and Huppe finished with 18 points

and lead NCAA Division II in that category through games of Jan.

112 (112-85), Jan. 28, 1964, at

Largest Truman Win: 414 (92-51), Jan. 25, 1957 at Kirksville

Current Streak: Largest Truman Win:

Most Points by Truman: 112 (112-85), Jan. 28, 1964, at

Most Points by UMR: 98 (98-90), Jan. 31, 1972, at Rolla

Last Meeting: Last Truman Win:

NUMSU 82, @ SBU 67 ESU @ WU

Northwest Missouri (5) 7-0 1.000 15-0 1.000

Missouri Western 6-1 .857 11-4 .733

Missouri Southern (13) 5-2 .714 12-3 .800

Washburn (Kan.) (12) 5-2 .714 12-3 .800

Pittsburg State (Kan) 4-3 .571 10-5 .667

Central Missouri 3-4 .429 9-6 .600

Emporia State (Kan) 3-4 .429 9-6 .600

Missouri-Rolla 1-6 .167 7-8 .467

Southwest Baptist 1-6 .167 7-8 .467

Truman 0-7 .000 2-13 .133

BOX SCORE - TRUMAN @ PITTSBURG STATE (JAN. 19, 2002)

TRUMAN FG 3FG FT TF TP A TO B S Min

Coykendall, S. * 6-13 2-4 4-8 3 0 18 1 2 0 0 33

Beran, Matt + 5-10 0-0 12 8 2 11 2 1 2 1 30

Glosier, Adam * 2-3 0-0 5 4 4 1 1 0 2 1 17

Huppe, Mark * 6-9 6-9 0-0 18 3 1 1 0 31

Owen, Nathan * 1-13 1-7 0-0 2 3 3 3 3 0 1 29

Mueller, Adam * 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 6

Long, Cory 1-2 0-0 1-1 1 0 5 0 3 0 0 10

Finley, Torre 2-3 0-0 1-1 1 0 2 0 1 0 4

Bruner, Dusty 0-1 0-0 0-0 2 4 0 0 0 0 5

Nepple, Jeff 0-2 0-0 0-0 1 0 0 1 0 1 11

Maxwell, Bret 3-7 15 0-0 3 3 7 0 0 0 17

Mailath, Dan 0-0 0-0 2 0 0 2 0 0 0 7

TOTALS 26-63 10-28 6-13 33 19 68 11 12 5 3 200

PITT STATE FG 3FG FT TF TP A TO B S Min

Stanley, Dan * 3-7 2-2 3-4 2 4 2 11 5 0 1 1 12

Russk, Max * 4-4 0-0 2 0 0 2 0 8 4 8 5 2 1 12 27

Pradia, Jai * 4-6 0-0 3 3 9 1 1 1 10 2 2 25

Howey, Kurtis * 5-7 2-3 0-0 2 1 11 1 1 0 0 2 2 22

Brooks, Cedric * 11-18 4-9 5-6 2 1 31 2 2 2 1 11 33

Wills, Jeff 0-2 0-1 0-0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 6

Odafer, Ryan 2-7 2-4 0-0 2 2 6 4 1 0 0 17

MIAA STATISTICAL COMPARISON (Through Games of Jan. 19)

TRUMAN MO-ROLLA

Scoring Offense
10th, 69.6

Scoring Defense
7th, 79.9

Scoring Margin
10th, -10.3

Field Goal Percentage
10th, .411

Field Goal Pct. Defense
8th, .461

Free Throw Percentage
10th, .569

3-Point FG Percentage
5th, .353

3-Point FG Made
1st, 10.53

3-Point FG Pct. Defense
8th, .378

Rebounding Offense
6th, 37.0

Rebounding Defense
8th, 37.5

Rebounding Margin
6th, -0.5

Defensive Rebounds
5th, 13.07

Defensive Rebounds
7th, 23.93

Blocked Shots
9th, 2.07

Assists
10th, 13.47

Steals
10th, 4.73

Turnover Margin
10th, -4.27

Assist-Turnover Ratio
9th, -1.44

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BULLDOGS IN MIAA & NCAA STATISTICS: As a team, the 'Dogs lead the MIAA with 10.53 three-point field goals made per game and lead NCAA Division II in that category through games of Jan. 21.

Mikl leads the MIAA in three-pointers made (3.14 pg) and three-point field goal percentage (.489). He was ranked 11th in Division II in three-point field goal percentage and tied for 21st in threes made, through games of Jan. 21. Additionally, Mikl ranks 20th in the conference in scoring (12.9 ppg).

Sophomore center Adam Glosier (St. Charles, Mo./West HS, Army) is eighth in the MIAA in rebounding (7.6 rpg) and fifth in offensive rebounds (3.25 pg).

Huppe ranks second in the MIAA and tied for 23rd in Division II in three-point field goals made (3.07 pg) and is ninth in the league in three-point field goal percentage (.383).

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in rebounding (6.2 rpg).

INJURY REPORT: Mikl (sprained ankle) is doubtful for the Missouri-Rolla game ... Glossier (thumb) is probable.

TRUMAN AT UMR (JAN. 24, 2001): After putting up just 19 points in the first half and trailing by seven at halftime, the Truman Bulldogs turned the tables on the Miners. Truman erupted for 40 points after the break and held Missouri-Rolla to 19 second-half points in a 59-45 Bulldog road win on Jan. 24 last year.

Mikl tallied career-highs with 22 points and 10 rebounds as the Dogs won for the sixth straight time over UMR. Mikl, who made a team season-high six three-pointers on nine attempts, sparked Truman onto a 12-2 second-half opening run by hitting two threes in the first 1:33 after the half. That gave the Bulldogs a 31-28 lead that would stand for the remainder of the game.

Eighteen of Mikl’s 22 points came in the second half. Brown finished the game with 16 points and Peterson added 14.

UMR was led by Kasim Withers, who scored 30 points on 12-of-20 shooting, including 4-of-5 from beyond the arc.

The Miners took the lead midway through the first half on the strength of a 12-4 spurt that wiped out an early 9-7 Truman lead. UMR went on to a 26-19 halftime advantage.

The 45 points allowed by the ‘Dogs was the second fewest of a season, including 52.9 percent (9-17) from three-point land. The Bulldogs have connected on 158 three-pointers so far this season and are on pace to shatter the school single-season records for three-pointers made (214) and attempted (591). Truman is on pace to make 273 treys this season, which isn’t far off of the MIAA record (290). The ‘Dogs also have 1,325 field goal attempts, having attempted 36 on Nov. 17 and the 41-vs.-SBU and CMSU.

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UMR AT TRUMAN (FEB. 21, 2001): The Bulldogs connected on only five field goals in the first half and fell behind early, leading to an 84-62 loss to Missouri-Rolla on Feb. 21 of last year. Truman shot just under 17 percent for the first half, and trailed 45-17 at halftime.

Meanwhile, UMR drained 42.1 percent of its first-half shots, including 52.9 percent (9-17) from three-point land.

The Miners led by as many as 31 points in the game, which saw the ‘Dogs shoot 43.3 percent in the second half.

Owen scored 12 points in the second half, while missing just one field goal attempt and going 5-of-6 at the free throw line. He finished with a team-high 17 points and eight rebounds. Brown also charted 17 points and eight boards.

UMR was led by 29 points and 21 rebounds from freshman center Brian Westre. Senior guard Kasim Withers finished with 25 points and freshman Brad Fischer added 15, all in the first half and all on three-pointers.

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range in conference contests ... played in

shooting 40.3 percent from three-point

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over Drury and matched the total on Jan.

out a career-high four assists in the win

over his last 11 games ... had his second career
double-double (17 pts., 11 rebs.) vs.
Southwest Baptist ... has hit a three-point-
er in 16 straight games.

15-Torre Finley (So., G, Florissant,
Mo./Whitfield): Has seen action in 11
games with three starts ... had a career-
high-tying 10 points in the opener ... set a
career-best with eight rebounds to go with
nine points vs. MSU-Mankato ... averaging
2.5 rebounds and shooting 36.4 percent
from the field ... has 17 assists to go with
36 points (3.3 ppg) ... has 13 points in the
last two games.

20-Nathan Owen (Sr., G, Cape
Girardeau, Mo./Central HS, SE
Missouri St.): Has played in 10 games
with one start since returning from a bro-
ken hand ... averaging 11.1 points and has
seven double-figure scoring games in his
last eight outings ... scored a season-
high 20 points vs. Northwest Missouri
State ... averaging a team-best 13.6 points
in MIAA play ... has been the team's top
scorer in four of the last eight games and
three of the last five ... one of five
Bulldogs to put up 20 points in a game
this season ... third on the team with 21
three-pointers made ... shooting 72.2 per-
cent at the foul line over the last seven
games (13-18).

25-Scott Coykendall (Sr., G, Elmwood,
III./Farmington HS/Spoon River CC):
Ranks second on the team with a scoring
average of 11.5 points and is third with
5.5 rebounds per game ... the only Bulldog
to start all 15 games this year ... has been
in the starting lineup for all 42 games of
his Truman career ... has nine double-
figure scoring games this season, including
a career-high 28 points in the opener ... that
game also marked his second career dou-
ble-double as a Bulldog, as he grabbed 11
rebounds ... scored 20 points vs. Culver-
Stockton ... leads team with 29 assists ... leads
with 31.5 minutes per game ... one of five Bulldogs to score 20 points in a
game this season.

32-Dusty Bruner (Sr., G, Galesburg,
III.): Has grabbed four rebounds in three
games this season ... also has one assist in
11 minutes of play.

35-Jeff Nepple (So., G, Carroll,
Iowa/Kuemper): Has come off the bench
in 13 of the 15 games to score 52 points
(4.0 ppg) ... tallied a career-best 11 points
in just 10 minutes in the win over Drury ... notched three steals to go with nine
points in the season opener ... among
team leaders in free throw shooting (78.6
percent; 11-of-14) ... had double-figure
minutes in 11 of the 13 games in which
he has played ... had a career high six
rebounds vs. Emporia State.

40-Matt Beran (So., F, Victor,
Iowa/HLV-Victor): A starter in 12 of the
15 games this year ... scored a career-high
20 points vs. Emporia State ... tied his
career-best with five assists in the win
over Drury and at Northwest Missouri
State ... has scored and had an assist in
every game and had at least five rebounds
in 12 games this year ... second on the
team with 10 steals ... ranks second on the
club with 62 rebounds per game ... leads
team with 43 offensive rebounds ... leads
team with 14 blocked shots ... had a sea-
son-best three blocks vs. Northwest
Missouri State ... one of five Bulldogs to
score 20 points in a game this season ... has
hit on 16 of his last 25 field goal attempts
(64 percent) ... shooting more than 10 percentage points better (56.1 to
46.0 percent) in MIAA games ... averaging
a team-best 7.0 rebounds in league play.

42-Bret Maxwell (So., F, Derby,
Iowa/Chariton): Has come off the bench
in all 15 games this year to score 54
points (3.6 ppg) ... has made all four of
his free throw attempts this season ... had
career-higs with 11 points and five
rebounds vs. UMSL ... connected on three
three-pointers in the UMSL game ... his 24
minutes vs. UMSL was his most extensive
action of the year ... scored in each of the
first six games and in five of the last six 
has double-figure minutes in seven games.

50-Dan Mailath (Sr., C, Tulsa,
Okla./Bishop Kelley): Has come off the
bench in 13 games to tally five points and
15 rebounds ... has seven assists ... averag-
ing 5.0 minutes.

52-Adam Glosier (So., C, St. Charles,
Mo./St. Charles West HS, Army): Played
in 12 of the team's 15 games this year ...
missed the CMSU & NWMSU games due
to a thumb injury ... has four double-doubles, including two career-high 14-rebound per-
formances ... has had four assists in a
game twice this year, vs. Culver-Stockton
and Missouri Western ... had career-higs
of three blocks vs. Drury and three steals
vs. Lincoln ... also scored a career-best 14
points vs. Lincoln ... leads the team in
rebounding (7.6 rpg) and field goal per-
centage (53.7 percent) ... second on team
with 10 blocked shots ... a starter in 10 of
12 games this year ... averaging a team-
best 7.0 rebounds in league play.